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### Banks and building societies warned

# Curb on credit threatened by worried Major

By Robin Oakley, political editor

LOAN sharks, banks, building societies and credit card companies were yesterday warned that the government may bring in new restrictions on the national deluge of credit advertising and promotion.

John Major, the Chancellor, is particularly concerned about unsolicited mail offering free gifts to people taking out loans, and credit offers being pushed on young people and those likely to be tempted into excessive debt.

He told the Conservative women's conference in London, that he shared their worries about the pushing of easy credit. "Too often the implication is that further borrowing is a good idea for all, regardless of their income or their existing level of commitments."

He had asked the financial institutions to reconsider their policy and he urged banks and building societies to cover the problem in the code of practice they were drawing up. Officials last night confirmed Treasury irritation at the tardiness of the credit industry in drawing up such a code of practice and made plain that if the financial institutions failed to get their house in order, Mr Major was ready to act. He said: "We shall look carefully at what they propose to see whether it is sufficient or whether any further action is necessary."

Loan offers might in future be made to carry warnings beyond the disclosure of the true annual interest rate, which is all purveyors of credit are forced to set out at the moment. Mr Major said: "Quoting a particular interest rate often does not bring home to people the full impact of their commitment. That impact ought to be made wholly clear to borrowers, in readily-understandable terms."

One question the Government will examine is that of the age limits governing those to whom credit advertisers are allowed to send their offers.

The chancellor urged lenders to be conscious of the distaste many people feel for indiscriminate mailshots. He said: "Many people do not like unsolicited offers of free gifts and other inducements to borrow. They are an irritation when they arrive with the morning post, frequently sent to people who do not want to borrow or who are in no position to do so. I wish, too, that lenders would not constantly stress, as some do, that potential borrowers have instant and easty access to credit. This sort of approach contributes to the impression of carelessness in lending."

The government has frequently emphasised its unwillingness to impose credit controls for economic management reasons, saying they are easily evaded and pointless when 85 per cent of domestic borrowing is represented by home loans. That policy has not changed. But Mr Major has served notice that unless the credit industry produces effective guidelines, there are likely to be tough restrictions on credit advertising.

Mr Major said there would be no relaxation of the battle against inflation in the run-up to the next election. "Our opponents misjudge us when they suggest we will engineer what they call a short-term pre-election boomlet. We will not. What we will do is to maintain a long-term attack on inflation so that we can build on the progress of the past decade". He admitted it was proving harder than expected to get inflation down, and said he would take no risks of allowing it to rise again.

● Britain's trade position improved by £300 million last month from a deficit of £1.6 billion to a shortfall of £1.32 billion (Richard Ford writes). The Treasury said the narrowing of the gap pointed to a revival of exports.

Opposition politicians said the deficit was the latest in a series of poor trade figures showing the failure of the government's policies. Gordon Brown, the shadow trade and industry secretary, said it was the 20th successive month in which Britain's trade deficit had been above a billion pounds. In any other European capital, that would have forced a policy rethink.

"This worrying trend shows that major underlying problems remain to be tackled. Our trade deficit with the EC alone is nearly £1 billion and these figures show that Britain is now in deficit with eastern Europe as well as western Europe," he said.

Mr Brown called on the Chancellor to negotiate Britain's entry into the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System combined with industrial policy measures that would end the exclusive reliance on high interest rates.

Alan Beith, the Liberal Democrats treasury spokesman, said people had become immune to appalling trade figures. He predicted that the government would not be able to meet its forecast of a £15 billion deficit for the year.

"Limited export growth is not keeping pace with our imports. All this might be an acceptable temporary price if inflation was being driven down, but it is not, and the government's anti-inflationary policy is in ruins."


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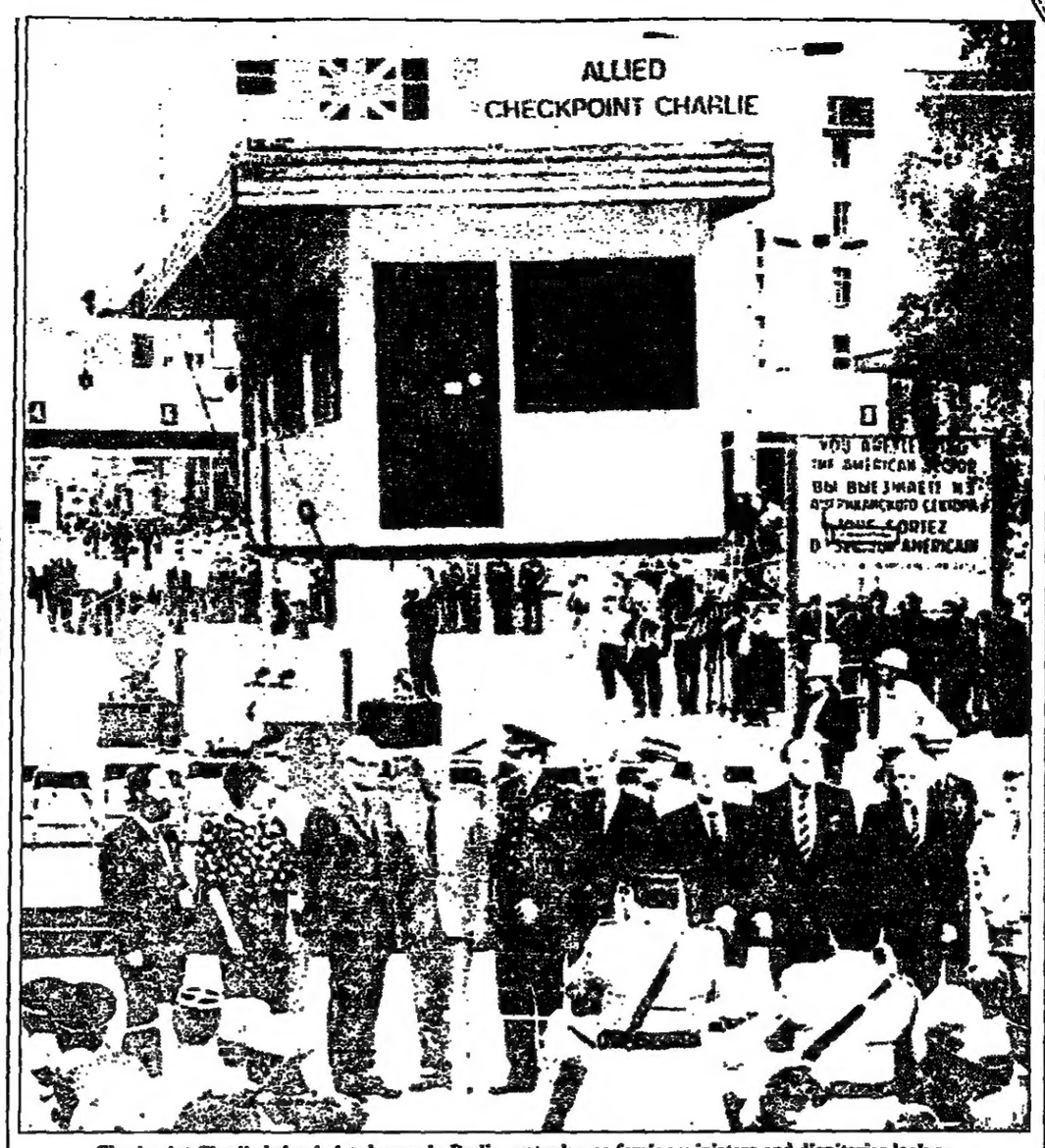


Checkpoint Charlie being hoisted away in Berlin yesterday as foreign ministers and dignitaries look on

# Charlie comes in from the cold

From Anne McElvoy in West Berlin

CHECKPOINT Charlie, the Allied crossing point which became a potent symbol of cold war conflict and human tragedy, yesterday received an honourable discharge after a 29-year tour of duty, made superfluous by the triumph of democracy in East Germany.

The prefabricated hut guarded by the American, British and French military and bearing their three flags, was hoisted on a giant crane and swayed briefly before being taken amid cheers and applause to a new home in a Berlin museum.

At a ceremony attended by the foreign ministers of the four powers as well as their East and West German counterparts, the Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnaze said that he would propose to the "two plus four" talks taking place in East Berlin that all Allied troops should leave Berlin six months after the joint German elections and that Allied control of the city should then cease. The suggestion was immediately rejected by the Western allies.

Crowds of West Berliners gathered to witness the ceremony while the residents of the houses overlooking the crossing point waited at their windows. Then came the request "permission to close the Checkpoint Charlie control post", and the response from American command, "formal dismissal of the attachment". Checkpoint Charlie was hoisted away.

The British foreign minister, Douglas Hurd, raised the biggest cheer by recalling one of the best known spy films set here. "At long last," he said, "we are bringing Charlie in from the cold."

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# Kremlin takes missiles out of trouble spots

From Martin Fletcher in Washington

THE Soviet Union is quietly withdrawing nuclear weapons from the secessionist Baltic republics, volatile southern republics and some Eastern European nations, according to US and Nato officials and independent experts.

The moves are being made because of fears that the weapons might be stolen or seized as unrest, disaffection and political instability in these regions escalate. They are being relocated in parts of the Russian republic that are close to central control and considered relatively secure. Security around nuclear warheads which have not been withdrawn has reportedly been tightened greatly.

There are believed to be about 33,000 nuclear warheads at hundreds of sites across the Soviet Union. The relocation is of shorter-range tactical weaponry and nuclear artillery rather than long-range strategic missiles, but it nevertheless illustrates the extent of the Kremlin's concern about domestic problems.

A Nato source in Brussels said: "They are worried that these weapons might fall into the wrong hands and they want to be very sure it doesn't happen." Another said: "It seems to us that these precautions are very sensible. There's a lot of worry here about the possibility of the Soviet Union simply collapsing. In that chaos, there would be nuclear weapons around, and that's a pretty frightening thought." A senior Washington official told the *Wall Street Journal*: "I don't regard it as an act of desperation. I regard it as an act of extraordinary caution."

Stephen Meyer, a professor recently returned from Moscow who is an expert on the Soviet military, said: "What you are seeing is prudence. You wouldn't want the Azerbaijanis taking one of these (nuclear weapons) and turning it over to the Iranians. That's what they worry about."

The bitter ethnic strife between Azerbaijanis and Armenians near the Caspian Sea city of Baku in January appears to have concentrated minds in the Kremlin.

Moscow sent elite Soviet troops to intervene. William Perry, a former US under-secretary of defence, was simultaneously meeting Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, the former Soviet chief of staff, in Moscow. "I was aware they had some very important nuclear storage sites outside Baku," Mr Perry said. "I asked him whether they were putting extra troops around there. He said they were."

The demands since for independence by Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia have stirred powerful resentment of the Soviet military presence in those republics, where there are a number of nuclear installations, and there is similar ill-feeling in many of the newly democratised nations of Eastern Europe.

Fuelled by black-market demand, there has also been a sharp upsurge in thefts of military equipment. Crime within the military is said to have risen by 14.5 per cent in the past year. In Armenia, there have been reports of an attempt to steal 21 tanks, of an attack by 40 armed men on an air force base, and of ambushes of military units. Professor Meyer said: "The political landscape has altered so dramatically that now they have to think about what a mob of 5,000 to 10,000 people could do."

Experts believe that it would be extremely hard for a stolen nuclear weapon to be launched or detonated. They are reportedly protected by coded locks, and warheads and missiles are not always stored together. However, the weapons could be sold to nations such as Iran or Iraq, or used as bargaining chips.

The nuclear dangers implicit in the downfall of communism have already occurred to the Senate and House armed service committees. Timothy Wirth, a member of the Senate armed services committee, said: "The irony here is that we are in a day and age when the threat of nuclear war has gone down, but the risk of an inadvertent release or an accidental war increases."

# Iran quake toll may be 35,000

THE death toll in the Iranian earthquake may be as high as 35,000, according to a government estimate released through the League of Red Cross Societies in Geneva.

Aircraft and helicopters carried 20,000 of the critically injured to towns outside the devastated region to relieve overwhelmed or damaged hospitals. The fate of hundreds of outlying villages remained unknown. Survivors dug with bare hands and shovels for trapped relatives.

Iran sowed confusion in the ranks of international aid organisations by saying that it would bar foreign aid workers, sniffer dogs and blood products from the disaster zone.


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# Gooch and Smith keep England hopes alive

GRAHAM Gooch and Robin Smith were the mainstays of England's batting against New Zealand in the second Test at Lords yesterday, but the search for successful new blood in the middle order goes on. Although Alex Stewart, of Surrey, made his maiden Test 50, neither he nor Neil Fairbrother, of Lancashire, who was out for two, were in convincing form.

Gooch, the captain, had the top score with an impressive 85 before he was caught and bowled by Bracewell, and Smith scored 64. Lamb delivered perhaps the brightest innings of the day, a hard-hit 34 runs off just 29 balls. At close of play, England were 329 for eight wickets.

● As the English World Cup supporters began leaving Sardinia yesterday, the head of the carabinieri said the troublemakers had been "educated" by their experiences on the Mediterranean island (John Goodbody writes).


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# Good housekeeping on Thatcher's away-days

Mrs Thatcher: £4.3 million foreign travel bill

By Robin Oakley
Political Editor

CONSERVATIVES yesterday rejected Labour complaints about the £4.3 million bill for Mrs Thatcher's overseas visits since she came to power in 1979, saying that she travels more frugally than virtually any other world leader.

The cost was revealed in a parliamentary answer to Alan Williams, Labour MP for Swansea West, who complained that the Prime Minister had spent an increasing amount of time abroad since the early 1980s. He said that the British taxpayer was not getting value for money.

In Mrs Thatcher's first year in power, 1979-80, she and the officials accompanying her spent £151,864 on foreign travel. By 1981-82 the cost had risen to £556,000, but after that it declined. It 1988-89 it shot up suddenly to £637,097, but last year it back to £387,040.

A *Times* analysis of Mrs Thatcher's travel shows that her visit to Dublin this weekend for the latest Common market summit will be her 169th trip since 1979. In the eleven years she has visited 54 different countries. While some of these trips are her own choice in response to invitations from many countries, the bulk of the travel is dictated by the need to attend various summits and to keep in touch with EC partners. Funerals of other world leaders would also count as a compulsory item.

Her record takes in no fewer than 31 previous European Councils (the EC summits) along with six Commonwealth Heads of Government meetings (CHOGMs) and 10 summits of the G7 group of the seven leading capitalist industrialized nations (along with Britain this includes Germany, France, Japan, Italy, Canada and the United States.)

By comparison, President Bush, who has visited 16 foreign countries and 36 states in 14 months, customarily uses four planes. There is a back-up plane in case Air Force One develops problems, another plane carrying his bulletproof limousine and a fourth plane to transport his personal helicopters.

Mrs Thatcher's travels are less than restful for her or for those who accompany her. On one trip to the Far East she made 11 speeches, having stopped on the way for coffee with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and for dinner with Rajiv Gandhi in India. Just before Christmas, 1984, her 26,000-mile trip to Peking, Hong Kong, Guam, Honolulu and Washington took just six days.

Her lack of interest in cultural sightseeing is coupled with a seemingly

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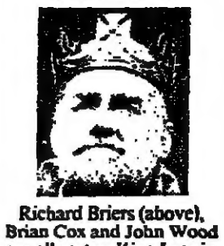

Richard Briers (above), Brian Cox and John Wood are all cast as King Lear in productions this summer. Benedict Nightingale considers their chances of success

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A comprehensive guide to the best places to eat, to stay and to shop for anyone passing through northern France on their way to a summer holiday

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Monica Seles is, at 16, the youngest winner of the French Open. Now she seeks the women's title at Wimbledon starting on Monday. Andrew Longmore examines her remarkable rise: Page 31

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David Miller considers the World Cup meetings of Brazil with Argentina and The Netherlands with West Germany: Page 29

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The government is set to clamp down on timeshare sharks amid complaints about sales techniques. But the news may be of little comfort to holidaymakers in Europe this summer. Weekend Money investigates: Page 56

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# Portillo rules out 'throwing money' to ease poll tax

By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter

MICHAEL Portillo, the local government minister, yesterday dampened speculation of a huge injection of funds to reduce community charge bills next year. He said that such a move would jeopardise Britain's economic recovery.

In a rare public speech on the poll tax since he took office three months ago, Mr Portillo described the basics of the charge as very sound but admitted that there were anomalies and administrative problems to be looked at.

With the ministerial review of the poll tax due to report next month, he sought to lower expectations, stating that the aim was to make the new system better and to build on its principles rather than to undermine them.

Speaking at the 60th Conservative women's conference in London, he said: "In dealing with this problem, if there is one, Chris Patten (the environment secretary) and I are not going to do anything that would make our economic recovery more difficult. In any case, I do not believe that throwing money at the community charge would be the answer at all."

He blamed certain local authorities which had had increased income this year of 16 per cent on top of a large increase for the previous year. "The basics of the community charge are very sound and the community charge ... will bring accountability.

"But I make no apology for having proposed that some local authorities should be capped: those local authorities who in the turmoil of the change from one system to another calculated they could pile on the charges. We cannot stand by in the face of excessive spending by these authorities."

Mr Portillo was given a warm reception at his debut before the Tory women, who supported the principle of the poll tax with calls to ministers to iron out "minor hiccups".

Miss Nicola Griffiths, head girl of Surbiton High School, echoed other speakers by supporting the philosophies behind the community charge but called for teething problems to be sorted out.

● A council which ended up £2,500 out of pocket despite winning court orders against 1,000 community charge defaulters last night blamed "inconsistencies and errors" in government poll tax guidelines for the loss (Douglas Broom writes).

Magistrates in South Shields, Tyneside, refused to award costs against the non-payers because poll tax notices issued by Labour-controlled South Tyneside council did not contain a warning that those who failed to pay would have to pay legal costs if the case went against them. Earlier this month the council was forced to postpone legal action against 2,000 other people after the courts had ruled that insufficient time had been allowed between the issue of the reminders and the summonses.

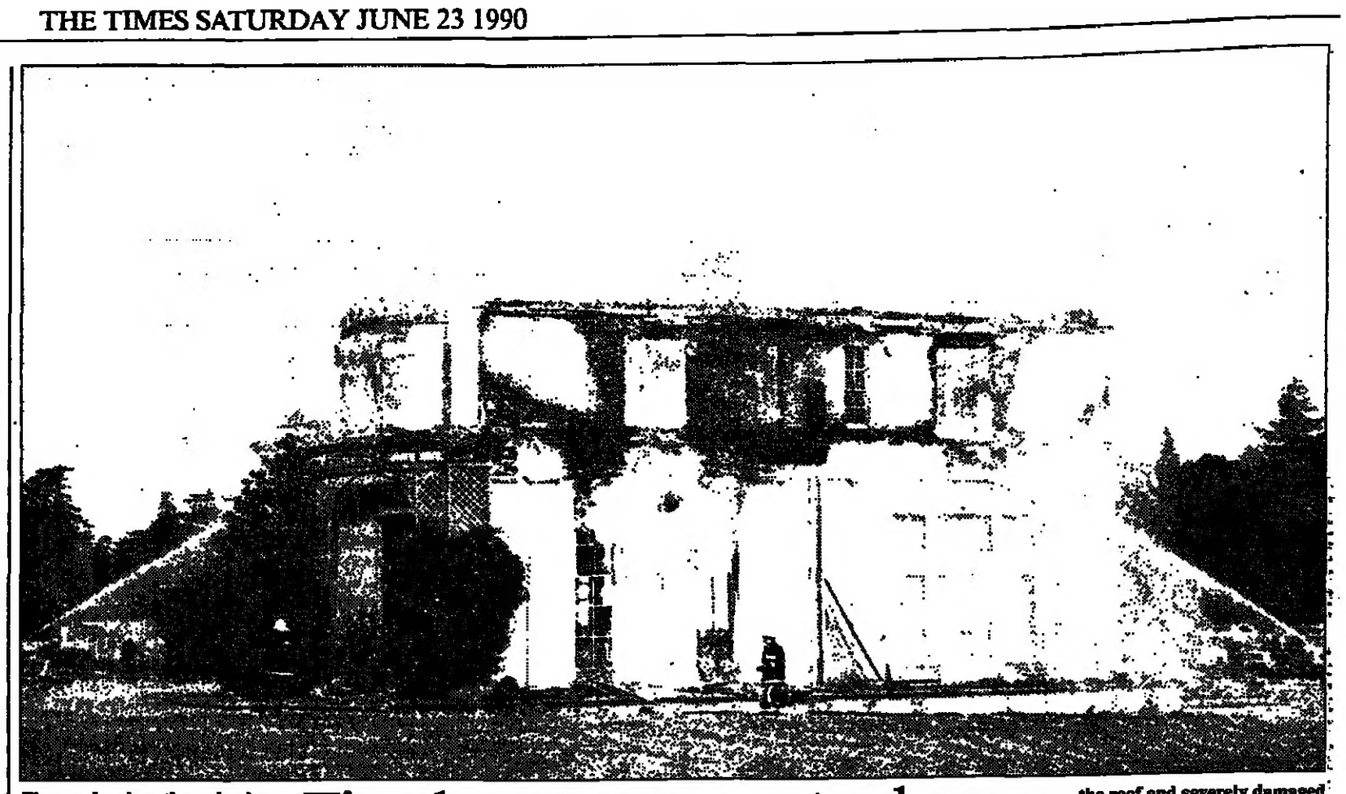
Peter Haigh, South Tyneside finance director, said that the council had followed guidance issued by the environment department. He blamed "inconsistencies and errors" in the guidelines for the legal problems.

Last night the environment department denied that it was responsible for the confusion. Guidance on poll tax enforcement was issued in the form of "practice notes" which were agreed with the local authority associations.

The Court of Appeal in London, which is hearing a challenge by 19 Labour councils against the decision to "cap" their community charge levels, was urged yesterday by Anthony Newman, QC, for Derbyshire county council, to declare that ministers had acted unconstitutionally by imposing limits on spending.

The councils, which lost a similar case in the High Court last week, argue that Mr Patten abused his powers by deciding arbitrarily what constituted excessive spending.

The hearing continues on Monday.



## Fire devastates country home of one of world's richest men

**Flames leaping through the roof as a blaze destroyed nearly half of a £12 million country mansion yesterday. Firemen rescued art treasures and antiques from the devastating fire at the late 18th century Dropmore House, near Burnham, Buckinghamshire (Michael Horsnell writes). The blaze at the home of Muhammad Mahdi al-Tajir, a former ambassador to Britain of the United Arab Emirates, whose fortune has been estimated at over £2 billion, comes just five months after an unsolved robbery there, when an armed gang netted a fortune in gold and art treasures. Last night police were guarding the house as a fire investigation team sifted the ruins for evidence of arson at the 50-room mansion. More than 100 firemen tackled the blaze, which started in the east wing and spread to the main part of the building, and two officers were treated for neck, head and leg injuries. The owner is believed to be in Dubai. The fire is the third disaster in four years for Mr al-Tajir, who was a familiar figure in London diplomatic circles. In 1986 he paid a £2 million ransom for the safe recovery of his brother, Sadiq, who was kidnapped at gunpoint from his home in Knightsbridge, London. Then, on January 24 this year, an armed gang blasted their way into a strongroom after seizing the caretaker and his wife and holding them for 10 hours. Police, who failed to arrest anyone, believe the robbers may have been hoping to steal a silver collection which was at Christie's, London, at the time. They nevertheless escaped with treasures estimated to be worth £5 million. Yesterday's loss is expected to be worth several million pounds. Agents for the house were planning to begin an inventory to establish what had been destroyed. The fire, which took more than four hours to control, brought down half of the roof and severely damaged 30 per cent of the upper floors. Mr al-Tajir has 30 homes around the world, including five in Britain. During his diplomatic career in London in the 1970s he was a source of public fascination and is said to be one of the world's richest men. "One billion, two billion, I am worth much more than that," he was quoted as saying in 1975. "On this telephone I can get any amount of money I want."**

**Simon Elliott, a forester working on the 195-acre estate, said he tried to get into the house with the caretaker, Bill Wallworth, shortly after the fire was discovered.**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# Financier gambled away £1.6m of pensioners' money

A FINANCIER was jailed for six years last night for using the life savings of scores of pensioners to fund a £1.6 million gambling spree.

Martyn Foster tried to blame the Black Monday stock market crash for the loss of 150 small investors' nesteggs, but Bristol Crown Court was told he had lost the money at roulette.

Foster, formerly of Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, admitted 12 specimen fraud charges relating to the loss of £960,000 of his clients' investment funds. Malcolm Cottrell, for the prosecution, said: "Foster is a glib predator. He was preying not on companies, not on the wealthy but on ordinary people with modest capital derived from redundancy or early retirement payments. These people wanted their money invested for a secure future and old age. Foster lost the lot."

Mr Cottrell told how Foster set up his own company, based in Clifton, Bristol, in 1986, and began investing clients' money with insurance companies. The clients believed he was investing their cash on the stock market, but he was using a system of false statements and paperwork and forged signatures to steal their investments to finance his addiction to casinos.

In August 1987, suspicious investors tipped off the police in August 1987 and fraud squad detectives began to investigate. Foster jumped police bail as investigators discovered his company was bankrupt with debts of more than £2 million. He was recaptured in January 1988, gambling at the International Sporting club, London.

At first he told police he had lost his clients' funds in the Black Monday stock market crash of October 1987, but finally told them: "It's all gone. I've gambled it all away. Tell them all I'm very sorry."

## Belfast appeal delayed

THE possibility of criminal charges against Surrey police is delaying a murder appeal by one of the Guilford Four, the Northern Ireland High Court was told yesterday.

Paul Hill, who was released with the other three, is appealing against a murder conviction in Belfast in 1975. When his lawyers applied yesterday for a second adjournment the Lord Chief Justice, Sir Brian Hutton, said it was regrettable that the preparation of the appeal had not been advanced since it was before the court last February.

Mr Barry Macdonald, barrister, explained that the Somerset and Avon police investigation into the conduct of the Surrey police in relation to the Guilford and Woolwich bombings was still going on.

## Evidence kept from defence

By Mark Souster

A JUDGE suggested yesterday that the Crown Prosecution Service could be deliberately prejudicing justice by withholding vital evidence from defence lawyers.

Judge Lymbery, QC, made his remarks after a shop assistant was cleared at the Central Criminal Court of killing two women. He said it was scandalous that important evidence in the case had been passed to the defence only five days before the trial began.

"This has happened before and I shall come to the conclusion one day that someone in the Crown Prosecution Service is deliberately trying to prejudice the defence," the judge said. He ordered that a transcript of his remarks should be sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

The CPS has ordered its own report into the case. A spokesman said: "It is not the policy of the CPS to withhold documentation which should properly be given to the defence solicitors."

Mario Fei, aged 24, of Kennington, south London, had denied starting a fire that killed Caroline Flanagan, aged 26, and Maria Soires, aged 20, at a house in south Kensington last September.

The delayed evidence showed that someone else with a grudge could have started the fire. There had been an attack, for which Mr Fei could not have been responsible, on another of the landlord's properties.

Robin Grey, QC, for the defence, said it was scandalous that he had been made aware of the new evidence so late in the day.

## Police appeal

Scotland Yard detectives investigating the bombing of RAF Stanmore Park, north-west London, on Thursday renewed their appeal yesterday to trace a grey Ford Fiesta car seen parked less than half a mile from the base. Part of the registration number was either A297 or A792.

## Boy remanded

A teenager, accused of murdering Simon Martin, aged 14, was remanded in custody until next Thursday by Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, magistrates yesterday. The boy's body was found in a derelict house more than a week after he went missing from home.

## TV man's death

Pat Doody, a Border Television presenter who was found dead in a fume-filled car at his home in Wetheral, Cumbria, had a string of loans outstanding and his house was remortgaged twice, his wife Gillian told an inquest in Carlisle yesterday. An open verdict was recorded.

## CORRECTION

Lord Home of The Hirsel entered the Commons in 1931 as Lord Dunglass not as Sir Alec Douglas-Home as reported in a picture caption yesterday.

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# Governors win plea over opt-out school site

By Tom Giles

A LABOUR council's scheme to sell the site of a comprehensive school to a private company after parents had called for a ballot on opting-out was invalid because school governors were not consulted, the High Court ruled yesterday.

Lord Justice Mustill, sitting with Mr Justice Otton, ruled that Tameside metroplitan borough council had failed to hold talks over the educational implications of selling off the site of Audenshaw High School in Manchester in 1988.

He added: "In its haste to secure the interests of its ratepayers, the council failed to think about the boys. It should have done so and should have consulted the governors." Instead, it had gone about selling the school site in a "hasty, furtive and downright rude way".

The governors of Audenshaw, backed by the Educational Assets Board, had challenged the council's actions in setting up a private company to buy the freehold. They originally claimed the scheme was intended to frustrate their plans to opt out of the authority's control under the terms of the 1988 Education Reform Act, but later dropped that part of their case.

Although the consequences of yesterday's ruling will be determined at a later hearing, Terry Hall, chairman of the governors, said last night the judgment represented a moral victory. "We have won this round but there is another one to come. We are unable to say what relief we are going to get but it is good news so far. The best we can hope for is for the freehold to revert to us."

However, Lord Justice Mustill rejected the governors' argument that the council had acted outside its powers. The steps taken by Tameside, though unorthodox, formed part of the authority's function in managing its property to the best advantage of its ratepayers. The council had not, in his judgment, frustrated the aims of the Education Reform Act.

The school's decision to opt out took effect last September, after Kenneth Baker, the then education secretary, granted permission in February. Parents at the school, with 600 boys, had voted nine to one for opting out of local authority control in December 1988. Months before the vote, Tameside had set up a company called Evermodern to acquire the freeholds of all secondary schools, to be leased back at the market rent. However, Audenshaw has not yet paid any rent for its Hazel Street site, amounting to £80,500 a year.

The Department of Education has said it would penalise the council's actions by deducting a sum equal to the value of the rent from its central grants. It declined to comment on yesterday's ruling.

Tameside, which argued that it had acted lawfully in an attempt to protect ratepayers' assets, said the court decision was disappointing. "We feel vindicated as it demonstrates that the authority acted reasonably and with no improper motive."

Andrew Turner, director of Choice in Education, an independent body set up to advise schools on opting out, said: "This appears to be a significant legal decision because councils now know they must consult governors before taking this action. Tameside made an honest mistake, but if councils try do do this in the future, they will not be able to come up with the same excuse."

JAMES GRAY

THE march-past outside St Paul's Cathedral yesterday at which the Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The Parachute Regiment, took the salute of more than 3,500 airborne soldiers whose service spanned 50 years. They marched with bayonets fixed and drums beating through the City of London after a service at the cathedral to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Airborne Forces. Men of the Parachute Regiment and contingents of veterans who had fought at Arnhem, on the Normandy beaches and in the Falklands, and served in Ulster, paraded. With the regiment a prime target for the IRA, and the presence of Tom King, the defence secretary, there was intense security round the cathedral. Police marksmen were on every rooftop. At the service were Sara Jones, whose husband, Lieutenant-Colonel H Jones won a posthumous VC as commanding officer of the regiment's 2 Para in the Falklands, and the yachtsman Chay Blyth, who served with 3 Para.

# Two sent to jail after raid on dog fight

By Kerry Gill

THREE men were found guilty yesterday of the "vile and degrading" pursuit of dog fighting on a Scottish farm. One was jailed for six months after the sheriff described it as a frightful, horrid business.

At Kirkcaldy Sheriff Court, Sheriff William Christie said that people who watched dog fighting were beneath contempt. He told Barry Raj, aged 35, of Sunderland, Frank McPhie, aged 41, of Glasgow, and Shaun Wood aged 28, of Mansfield, he took a very serious view of the case.

"It is a vile way to spend your time, watching two animals tearing themselves apart in a bloodbath. People who take part are below contempt," he said.

The three were found guilty of offences relating to dog fighting and gambling at Burnside Farm, Bonnybank, Kennoway, Fife, on May 20. Woods was jailed for six months, McPhie for four months and Raj remanded in custody to July 13 for reports.

The court was told by Michael Butcher, an investigator for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals who has spent seven years examining dog fighting, that more than £1,000 found in the dog ring at the farm would have been the wager between the two owners.

About 140 police officers who surrounded the farm after a tip-off saw two dogs fighting in a bloodstained pit, the court was told. They arrested more than 30 men and almost £5,000 was found near the pit or on the detained men.

Detective Inspector John Nicholson said: "I ... saw a great number of people. Four or five civilians were in a ring with two dogs that were in the process of fighting."

Superintendent Tom McCaig said he saw a pit area with bloodstained walls and two dogs, one of them an American pit bull terrier.

Witnesses also told of bloodstained dogs with head, leg, neck and ear injuries.

# Inquest on policeman abandoned

By Craig Seton

AN INQUEST into the death of a policeman fatally injured while on an undercover operation last year will not be resumed. PC Tony Salt had been drinking and was three times over the limit for drivers when he died.

PC Salt, aged 30, was found collapsed in an alley close to an illegal drinking den in Bordesley Green, Birmingham, that he was keeping under surveillance. He died from a haemorrhage caused by a neck injury, but it was never established how he received the wound.

West Midlands police have declined to say whether the officer had been drinking that night. However, evidence given at committal proceedings last October showed he had been drinking.

An inquest into his death was formally opened and adjourned pending the outcome of a court case in which three men were charged in connection with his death. The evidence to the committal proceedings could not be reported at the time. Charges against the three men were eventually dropped.

The office of Dr Richard Whittington, the Birmingham coroner, confirmed yesterday that the inquest would not reopen, but declined to comment further.

West Midlands police said the coroner had decided not to resume the inquest under Section 16 of the Coroners' Act, 1988. All the known details of PC Salt's death had been publicly aired at the committal proceedings in a Birmingham court and a coroner's inquest could not be expected to uncover any other information to explain how he died.

The police said: "PC Tony Salt's death was a tremendously sad loss to this force. He was a good and caring policeman who was determined to do something for the people of his area."

# General sees risk in army cuts

By Michael Evans
Defence Correspondent

GENERAL Sir Martin Farndale, former commander-in-chief of the British Army of the Rhine, this week spoke of the dangers of excessive army cuts after confirmation from defence ministers that troops would be reduced and regiments disbanded under the "options for change" review.

Sir Martin who retired as BAOR chief in January 1988, said there appeared to be a common view that since the warning time for an attack from the Soviet Union had increased dramatically, Britain could rely more on the reserves (the Territorial Army).

He admitted that a surprise attack was unlikely but the warning time could change. "If we, in the meantime, have redesigned our army so that it cannot cope with a short-warning attack, we will be putting our whole security at risk."

The general referred to the rundown of troops in 1814 after the battle of Toulouse and when Napoleon was safely locked up on the island of Elba. Yet within a year Britain fought "the bloodiest of battles at Waterloo".

"If you cut your army, what you have left must be very professional. You cannot rely on reserve forces. The training they have is simply not the same as the regular army," Sir Martin said. Any planned cuts should be implemented in stages.

Sir Martin also spoke strongly in favour of the regimental system, which he described as "sacred" to the army. The regimental system was a vital part of building confidence and morale because of the loyalty it inspired. The government has confirmed it intends to maintain the regimental system.

# Women priests in Ulster pose church dilemma

By Ruth Gledhill

TWO women will tomorrow become the first in Europe to be ordained priest in the Anglican communion.

Kathleen Young, a widow trained as a physiotherapist, and Irene Templeton, the mother of a boy aged five, will be among six priests to be ordained by the Rt Rev Dr Samuel Poyntz, Bishop of Connor, at St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast.

The ordinations could create a dilemma for the Church of England: proponents of women priests said the two could be entitled to celebrate communion in England because the statute preventing ordained women from other Anglican provinces doing so does not apply to Northern Ireland, as part of the UK. However, the Church of England believes its archbishops can use their general jurisdiction to decide who celebrates the sacrament in England.

The movement for the ordination of women has taken legal advice. Margaret Orr Deas, executive secretary, said: "We have been told that the same restrictions about needing permission to officiate do not apply. It will be an interesting point if anyone invites a woman priest from Northern Ireland to officiate in England."

The case is unlikely to be tested soon because neither woman wants to become embroiled in controversy. After the ordination, they will return to their parishes, where they will probably remain curates for at least a year.

The Church of Ireland is keen to play down what it feels could become a focus for protests. The Most Rev Robert Eames, Archbishop of Armagh and chairman of the commission on communion and women in the episcopate, has said several times that great care must be given to those who still cannot accept the ordination of women. The commission's guidelines advise women priests and bishops in the Anglican communion to show deference to the regulations governing provinces that do not permit ordination of women.

Both women were born in Belfast. Mrs Templeton, aged 49, trained at Bristol, and worked in Leicester and Crawley before moving back to Northern Ireland, where she is an auxiliary deacon at St Hilda's parish church at Kilmakee, Dunmurry. Mrs Young, aged 50, was ordained two years ago and is an apprentice curate at St Nicholas parish church at Carrickfergus, co Antrim.

A further four women are expected to be ordained priest in Northern Ireland soon. Four more are at theological college in Dublin, and three could enter college this year. The Church of Ireland is the seventh of 27 Anglican provinces worldwide to ordain women to the priesthood. Two provinces have women bishops.

**THE SUNDAY TIMES**

"My first marriage lasted ten years until the end of 1942, when I returned from the war an ill and broken man," Lord Hailsham writes in his forthcoming autobiography, serialised in tomorrow's *Sunday Times*. "I had no thought but to give Natalie, my wife, a pleasant surprise ... I put the key in the lock ... She was not alone ..."

Besides Hailsham's frank and absorbing memories of his often tragic life, *The Sunday Times* also contains a special pull-out guide to Wimbledon: the full draw for the men's and women's singles — who are the favourites and who are the dark horses, plus an in-depth and revealing examination of Ivan Lendl, the world's No 1 tennis star.

# Treasures of print are saved for nation

By John Shaw

AFTER 17 months of secret negotiation, a unique library belonging to a founder of the Arts and Crafts Movement has been saved from possibly going abroad.

The books and manuscripts belonging to Sir Emery Walker (1851-1933), the engraver and printer who helped to found the Arts and Crafts Exhibition Society in 1888, has been bought for the nation for £450,000. The money has been raised from a variety of sources, including the National Heritage Memorial Fund, which has donated £250,000.

The library will now be displayed at the museum at Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, which possesses the finest collection of arts and crafts material in Britain. The local authority's arts development fund contributed £100,000. The private treaty sale from a source close to the Walker family was negotiated through the Museums and Galleries Commission.

Mr George Breeze, director of Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museums, said yesterday: "This is a marvellous collection, but there was a fear that it would perhaps be sold at auction and broken up. That would have been a tragedy. The owner was very keen that the library should remain as an entity, and this was a major factor in it staying here."

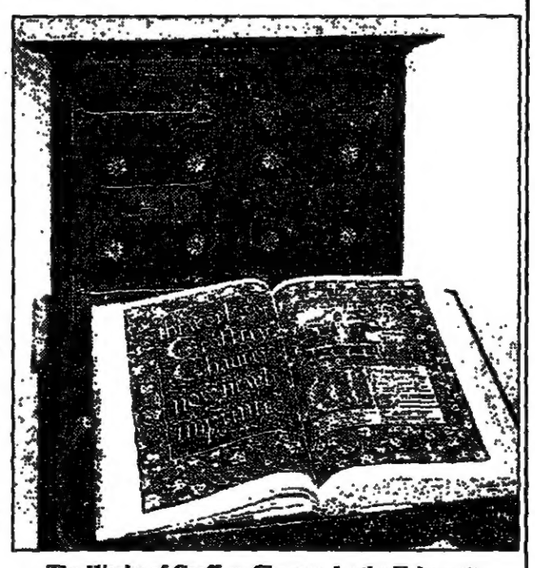
Sir Emery, who helped William Morris to establish the Kelmscott Press at Hammersmith, west London, in 1890, has been described as "the prime mover in the revival of fine printing in England".

His library contains manuscripts and early printed books that inspired his and Morris's publishing style. It also contains work from the Kelmscott Press and the Doves Press.

Sir Emery worked closely with T J Cobden-Sanderson, who set up the Doves Press. Sir Emery designed some of the Doves types, often regarded as among the finest ever cut. The only surviving examples are in the library going to Cheltenham.

Mr Breeze said: "All the other founts were thrown into the Thames. The only bit left is just enough for a Christmas card. But what breathed life into his library was the way Walker used his books as a kind of filing system, inserting into the appropriate volumes photographs, press cuttings and letters from Morris and other leading figures, like Philip Webb, one of the founders of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.

"The libraries of Walker's friends have now been dispersed, and this survival is highly fortunate. It provides a unique window into a great period of English printing and publishing and one of the few occasions when England has influenced developments in the visual arts on the Continent."



The Works of Geoffrey Chancer, by the Kelmscott Press, with the Kelmscott cabinet made to house it

The collection will complement the museum's holdings of private press material and its outstanding collection of furniture. Sir Emery spent part of his life at Daneway, near Sapperton, a centre of the arts and crafts movement in Gloucestershire. His ashes are buried at Sapperton.

Negotiations over the collection have been protracted and there were fears that it might go to the United States or Japan. Mr Breeze praised the "invaluable" help of Miss Heather Wilson, a taxation expert at the commission, who has been involved in many complex private treaty sales to British museums.

Miss Wilson said: "I am delighted to have been able to help them acquire such an important collection."

# Panned musical hits back at the critics

By Ray Clancy

THE legendary power of theatre critics to determine the future of a show by the turn of a phrase was challenged yesterday from the unlikeliest of sources.

*Bernadette*, the cut-price "people's musical", has hit back at savage reports in the newspapers by disclosing that a straw poll of the first-night audience showed 90 per cent thought the musical was "excellent" or "good".

Willie Fonfe, a former film studio chauffeur, mortgaged his £350,000 house to raise money for the show about the French peasant girl whose vision of the Virgin Mary gave Lourdes its reputation as a healing shrine.

He and James Murray, a former television critic, said that while the critics claimed the show at the Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, London, would need a miracle to succeed, the audience loved every minute. A poll of 305 people found 70 per cent thought the show was excellent, 20 per cent thought it was good, 3 per cent that it was average and 5 per cent said it was below average.

"We are the people's musical and the people have shown they like the show," said Mr Murray, who was television editor and critic of the *Daily Express* for ten years. He turned on the critics who were widely held to be responsible for closures after only five weeks of *King*, a £3.5 million musical based on the life of Martin Luther King, and *Someone Like You*, conceived and co-written by Petula Clark.

Mr Murray accused the critics of "shabby journalism and unprofessionalism" and singled out Jack Tinker of the *Daily Mail*, claiming his review was innacurate. Mr Tinker said the score "only occasionally rises to the average Norwegian entry in the Eurovision Song Contest" and described the start as "a recital of the Lord's Prayer and a burst of 'Ave Maria' for good measure."

Mr Murray said Mr Tinker must have been "hearing voices" as the Lord's Prayer is not recited. He then rounded on Maureen Paton of the *Express* who said she dreaded to think what the Papal Pro-Nuncio, who attended the preview night, must have thought. "She ought to have noticed what he thought as she was sitting only a few feet away from him when he led a five-minute standing ovation and remarked how wonderful the musical was."

"The appalling writing and standard of criticism in London is wretched. Almost every review described the show as being riddled with clichés, yet they ended by saying it will need a miracle to save the musical. We don't need a miracle. We need bums on seats."

Mr Fonfe, the producer, said: "Obviously the closure of *King* and *Someone Like You* has been at the back of our minds and helped us to decide to go ahead with our own audience poll, but I was never worried by what the critics might say."

The Dominion now plans to splash comments from ordinary people on billboards outside the 2,000-seat theatre instead of the usual words from critics. These include "It is the most wonderful show I've seen since Phantom of the Opera" and "Something totally original, nothing ordinary about it, excellent".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# Clarke admits that community care reforms face delay

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

THE government yesterday admitted that its community care reforms may have to be delayed for a year if local authorites are not ready to implement them.

Kenneth Clarke, the health secretary, defiantly scotched speculation that his health service reforms would be delayed. He expressed "slight caution", however, on whether the community care reforms would meet the same timetable of April 1 next year.

He said it was still the government's intention to go ahead with the reforms which give local councils responsibility for the social care of the elderly, mentally ill, and metally handicapped.

Mr Clarke said that it did, however, require constant judgment about whether the government was ready to go into the new system next year, because it involved ending the present arrangements whereby social security was paid for nursing home care through income support. Local councils would also have to draw up complicated assessment procedures and service contracts, and new arrangements with health authorities.

Mr Clarke conceded that would have to be done at the same time as councils were coping with a variety of other changes, including the poll tax.

"Local authorities are embarking on the implementation of the Children's Act, the new national curriculum, and planning the policy of care in the community," Mr Clarke said. "I get mixed messages about how ready local authorities are to deliver this, and the consequences for their residents and services if we maintain this pace."

He said he had no reason to think local authorities wished to postpone the changes at the moment, but not every aspect of the community health reforms was under his control. The health secretary's caution yesterday followed speculation this week that the prime minister was keen to delay implementing the National Health Service and community care reforms in case they proved politically damaging in the run-up to the next election.

Local councils are already claiming that the poll tax will result in severe cuts in social services and impede implementation of the new reforms. There is also mounting concern about the amount of money the government will allocate for the new programme.

Mr Clarke, however, told the joint conference of the National Association of Health Authorities and Society of Family Practitioner Committees in Scarborough, north Yorkshire, that the health service programme would go ahead on schedule. "Let me make it clear that the reforms are going to happen," he said.

In spite of those assurances, Mr Clarke emphasised there would be no significant change in the pattern of services from next April and any alterations would be carefully planned. He expected GPs to continue to refer the same number of patients to the same hospitals.

From next April he would expect to see explicit quality standards in all contracts drawn up between health authorities and hospitals, specifying maximum in-patient and out-patient waiting times. The new structures would enable all health authorities to reduce their waiting lists, he said.

Robin Cook, the shadow health secretary, yesterday accused the Mr Clarke of putting his political virility before the interests of the health service. "The public don't want his changes to the NHS, and NHS managers cannot get them to work. Even Mrs Thatcher is finding the speed of change is making her queasy."

Mr Cook said the government faced a big problem because the public persisted in rejecting the threat to the NHS. "Either they press ahead, in which case they will lose the election, or they drop their plans, in which case they must admit they were wrong."

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# More freedom for NHS management

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

THE management team running the health service's £18 billion properties and estate is expected to become an semi-autonomous executive agency under plans to improve civil service efficiency.

A detailed plan to convert the health department's estate directorate into an agency with more freedom and clearer responsibilities was being prepared, Kenneth Clarke, the health secretary, said in a written Commons answer yesterday. He said the move would enable it to respond more readily to the needs of the department, and the health service.

The directorate employs 127 staff, of whom 82 are architects, engineers and surveyors. Its £1 billion capital investment programme includes 520 schemes.

Under the government's "next steps" programme, launched in 1988, 31 agencies have been created and another 25 announced.

● Secretaries, technicians and consultants have become shareholders in their own private company, set up in a hospital's pathology department. It offers services to industry and commerce as well as its work for the health service (Craig Seton writes).

Almost 90 per cent of the 102 staff in the department at Kettering general hospital in Northamptonshire raised £22,000 to create Kettering Laboratory Services. While other health service pathology laboratories undertake private work, it is believed to be the first where employees have become shareholders.

The company has agreed to give 30 per cent of its gross turnover to the town's health authority. Staff will work extra hours to test specimens and samples submitted by health screening companies, the food industry and other commercial concerns.

Philip Blackburn, senior medical scientist and director of the company, said: "Work for the health service will always come first. I do not think there is a danger that the private side will take over. Should the company be successful, we will get dividends and staff will be paid for the extra time they work. It should boost pay levels and help to attract staff."

The company expects a £180,000 turnover in its second year of trading.

CHRIS THOMOND

The Fat Controller checking the time yesterday as Thomas the Tank Engine arrives at Didcot, Oxfordshire, for his 45th birthday. Hundreds of boys and girls enjoyed themselves among a dozen full-sized engines with painted faces, and the party continues today and tomorrow

# Plea for 'invisible homeless' as mental units close

By Lin Jenkins

THE plight of mentally ill people who end up living rough because of the policy of closing mental hospitals has largely been ignored by the government in the proposals to help the homeless, groups working with them claimed yesterday.

The criticism came as it was announced that the closure of the 600-bed Friern Hospital at Barnet, north London, could be brought forward by two years to 1991.

The National Schizophrenia Fellowship says the high visibility of the homeless young, who live in groups and choose to sleep in shop doorways in London's West End, has attracted attention, whereas the less conspicuous lives on the streets of those who are psychotic and prefer to be on their own are easier to ignore.

A further 38 mental hospitals are to close in the next five years releasing 12,500 people into community care, which often amounts to little more than sleeping rough. In the 10 years to 1984, 25,000 patients lost their hospital places and only 3,300 new residential places were created by local authorities and voluntary groups. The fellowship believes that the government has ignored the mentally ill on the streets as it contradicts its policy of closing mental hospitals.

Malcolm Weller, a psychiatrist and chairman of Concern, a group of professional people worried about mental health care services, said surveys among those living rough found that 68 per cent suffered from a psychotic condition.

"It is not clear whether this group is growing because nobody keeps proper figures. We are very much troubled that a significant proportion of these people have been inmates of psychiatric hospitals," he said.

The most recent survey found that 58 per cent of those found living rough or occasionally using existing hostels had been in mental hospitals for a variety of conditions, 42 per cent were psychotic at the time of interview, of which 12 per cent had never been treated for their condition.

Only one in three received any state benefits and eight out of 10 had been in prison at some time, including one who had been sentenced to confinement at Broadmoor for attempted murder.

"They simply are not as visible as the homeless young. The ones you do see are probably the least ill, those who are more disturbed are isolated," Dr Weller said.

Jerry Westall, research and communications officer for the fellowship, said bringing forward the closure of Friern Hospital would further exacerbate the problem.

"If the government is going to tackle conspicuous destitution it has to realise that a certain proportion of those discharged from hospitals are going to end up on the streets. The provision to care for them in the community is simply not there," he said.

"Over 50,000 have been discharged already, those being discharged now and in the future are the more seriously ill and harder to place. They are people with multiple problems and much more likely to end up destitute on the streets. We have continually been pressing for hospitals not to close until other facilities have been put in place, but it simply has not happened.

"There are a few pilot projects which deal with tens when really it is a matter of thousands. The mentally ill are being discharged to live in places unfit for habitation."

# Labour repeal of terror act 'would legalise the IRA'

By Richard Ford

THE Provisional IRA could become a lawful body with its supporters allowed to collect funds on British streets under a Labour government, the home secretary alleged yesterday.

David Waddington said Labour's pledge to repeal the Prevention of Terrorism Act would also allow people banned for having known terrorist links to return unchallenged to Britain.

The home secretary accused Labour, which had introduced the act, of failing to think through the need for the legislation or the consequences of repealing it.

Speaking a day after a bomb exploded at an RAF base at Stanmore, in northwest London, Mr Waddington told women at a Conservative party conference that the fact Labour planned to repeal the act showed that it was not prepared to face up to its responsibilities. "Has he (Roy Hattersley) thought for one moment that the consequences of the repeal of the legislation would be that the IRA would become a lawful body and people could actually collect funds for the IRA on the streets of London?" Mr Waddington asked.

One result of the legislation being repealed would be that a number of people either concerned in the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism who had been excluded from Great Britain would be able to return, he said.

Mr Hattersley, the Labour deputy leader and Opposition home affairs spokesman, accused the home secretary of reducing the serious issue of the fight against terrorism to the level of squalid party political abuse.

He said the act was a counterproductive measure that negated the concept of a United Kingdom. Under the act, individuals could be banished from the mainland to Northern Ireland, which was also party of the UK.

Mr Hattersley added: "This concept of banishment is obviously seen by the Irish people as a statement that it is all right for terrorists to operate in Ireland so long as they are kept away from England, Scotland and Wales.

"To suggest that IRA sympathisers would have an easier life under a Labour government is disgraceful, and the home secretary, now reduced to scraping around for a few extra votes, knows it."

# Extradition bar linked to jailed Six

JUDGES in the Irish Republic may have blocked the extradition of IRA terrorists to Britain because of the widespread belief in their country that the Birmingham Six are innocent, campaigners for the six suggested yesterday (Quentin Cowdry writes).

Paul May said the republic's courts could not be immune to the feeling among its citizens that British justice was faulty, particularly in IRA trials.

Father Bobby Gilmore, chairman of the Birmingham Six Campaign, said the case was an irritant in Anglo-Irish relations that probably meant guilty men were not being brought to justice.

Campaigners for the six convicted of the Birmingham pub bombings of 1974 in which 21 people died will next week lobby officials at the international conference on human rights in Copenhagen. On Monday they will stage a mass demonstration in Dublin to coincide with the EC summit there.

# Inmates allege abuse

PRISONERS at Strangeways jail were "wound up" by some staff to provoke them, some have claimed in letters disclosed yesterday to the Woolf enquiry into the riot there.

David Latham, QC, counsel to the enquiry, said "significant numbers" of inmates had complained of problems with certain officers and of being treated in an "unprofessional" way, sworn at and abused.

Mr Latham was questioning Gordon Morrison, the senior governor in charge of the main prison wings, on the tenth day of the enquiry in Manchester into the riot. He asked whether Mr Morrison knew of allegations from prisoners that they were "wound up".

Mr Morrison replied: "I accept that could have happened, and almost certainly did occasionally."

Mr Morrison said if he had been told of specific warnings that a riot was to be started at the Sunday chapel service, he would have regarded precautions taken as "inadequate".

The enquiry resumes on Monday.

# Actor helps his village to buy back its green

Stewart Granger, the actor, is helping the fishing community of Polperro, Cornwall, his boyhood home, to buy back their village green for £150,000.

The green was lost to villagers in 1813 when it was sold for development, and now a property developer plans to build shops there. Yesterday a campaign was launched to raise the £110,000 required to buy the site and £40,000 to develop it and Mr Granger has agreed to become its patron.

## Problem ship

The Royal Navy's latest submarine, HMS Upholder, commissioned a fortnight ago, returned to Barrow, Cumbria, yesterday after problems with the cooling system on the way to sea trials. She is the first of a new class of diesel electric submarines and had problems during earlier trials.

## Fatal crash

Two men were killed and three people, including a child, injured, when two cars crashed head-on on a bridge over the M4 near Theale, Reading, Berkshire, yesterday.

## Drugs swoop

West Midlands police arrested 15 people in a drugs swoop on the Plaza Cafe, Handsworth, Birmingham. They seized cannabis and cannabis resin with a street value of £50,000.

## Midwife father

Simon Aslett, Lincolnshire's first male midwife, delivered his baby daughter at his home in Wolsey Way, Lincoln. The baby and his wife, Lynn, a nurse at Lincoln County Hospital, are "doing fine".

## Railway death

A man was killed yesterday morning when he was hit by a Portsmouth to Waterloo train on the railway line at Fareham, Hants.

## Name banned

Andrew Lloyd-Webber, the composer, won an extended ban in the High Court yesterday on a lavatory cleaning firm — Andrew Lloyd Webber's Lavatory Cleaning Services — using his name.

## Miner killed

A accident inquiry was launched yesterday after a mineworker, aged 45, died in an accident three miles underground in Stillingfleet mine, North Yorkshire.

# Scottish writers threaten to down felt-tips

By Kerry Gill

HISTORY does not record whether Shakespeare downed his quill in an effort to prise more money out of Queen Elizabeth I before tendering his final draft of *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, said to have been written at her request.

As the predominant English playwright of the age, having already enjoyed the patronage of the Lord Southampton and been a member of the Chamberlain's company of players, he was clearly in a better bargaining position than leading Scottish writers of today.

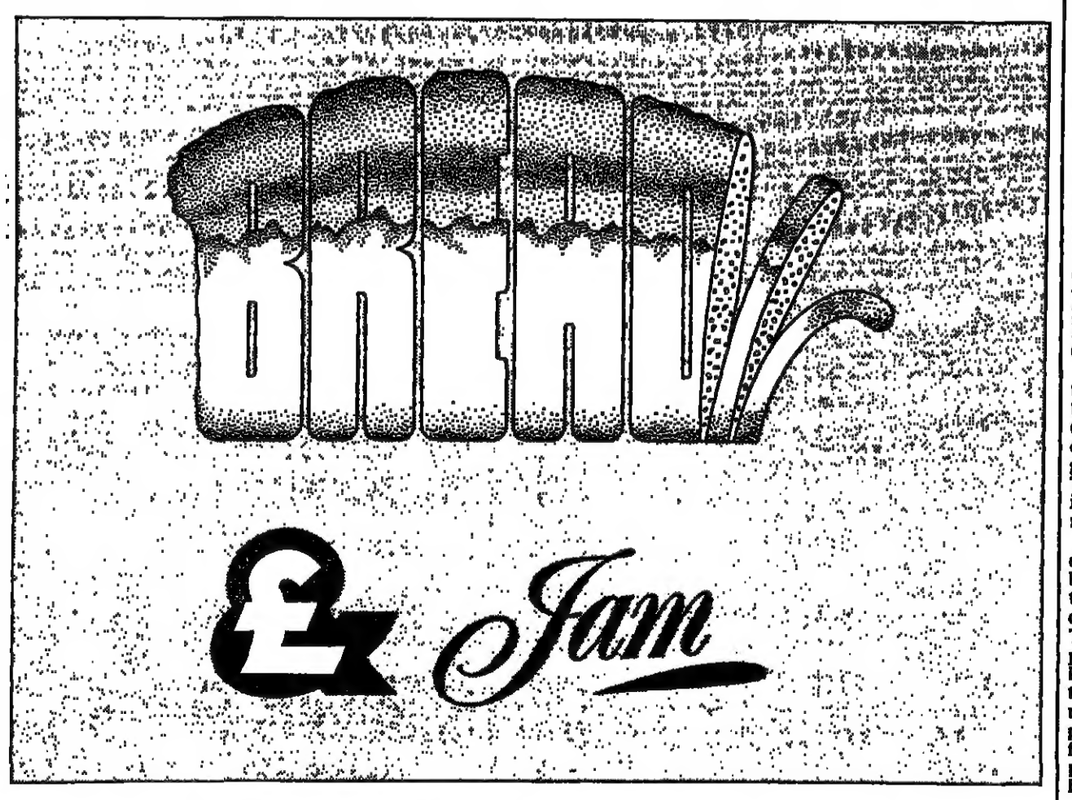
Yesterday, faced with the prospect of Scottish playwrights downing their felt tips in an attempt to up their commissions, the Federation of Scottish Theatres held an urgent meeting in Glasgow. Theatres, however, are not rich. Nor do they have the ultimate sanction of execution and, therefore, could be forced to reach an expensive compromise with the striking dramatists over the coming weeks.

About 30 Scottish playwrights have said they will not write any more works for federation members until they are given an increase in pay. The Scottish Society of Playwrights appears to be following the tack of more traditional industrial disputes. John Clifford, a member of the society, said: "Playwriting is not economically viable. I regret this enormously, but we have no other option. We have conducted a survey of our members to find out how long it takes to write a play. It takes most of them between seven and nine months and we want them to come up with a living wage."

Even if their claim is successful, it would mean only about £150 for 37 weeks. Little wonder that some playwrights are even thinking of leaving the business. Members, including names such as John Byrne, Liz Lochhead and Hector MacMillan, say the Scottish Arts Council's commissioning fee for a play must be increased from £4,000 to £5,500 plus 10 per cent royalties. However, not all commissioned plays get the fee. Deadlock has been reached with the writers refusing to produce any more commissioned plays for federation theatres.

Jo Beddoe, for the federation and general manager of one of the affected theatres, the 7:84 Theatre in Glasgow, said the council did not automatically give a fee for each commissioned play, and many had to be paid for by theatres themselves and, where appropriate, cash aid from local authorities. "Every theatre is asked by the Arts Council to apply in January for commissioning funds for the following financial year. We might put in for four new plays, but the council might only decide to give a grant for one."

The dramatists will honour all agreements made, but unless a settlement is reached quickly, there could be a dearth of locally written plays for the 1991 Edinburgh Festival and Glasgow's Mayfest. There might also be reruns of *The Merry Wives of Windsor*.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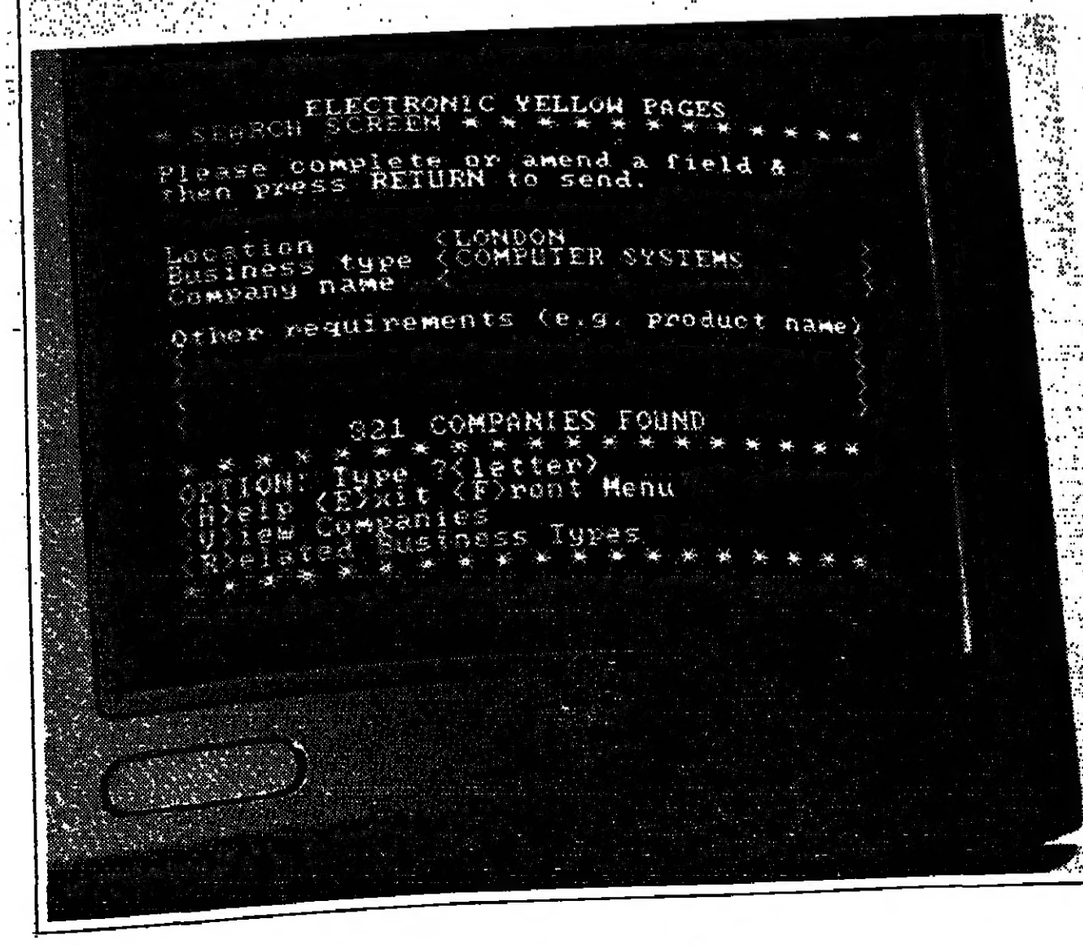


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# Airline cuts fare by 20% to lure leisure travellers

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

BRITISH Airways is to reduce fares between Britain and Scandinavia by more than 20 per cent in an effort to attract more passengers during the slack summer months.

Although business and full economy fares will remain the same, leisure passengers will be able to save up to £50 on the cost of a return flight to most Scandinavian cities between the middle of July and the end of September provided they stay one Saturday night at their destination.

The new fares are being used as a promotional gambit by BA, which plans to take advantage of the increasingly liberal air services agreement reached among European transport ministers in Luxembourg this week by filling aircraft which would normally fly half empty during the holiday season.

The fares, which will result in a return ticket to Copenhagen falling from £182 to £142 compared with £350 club class return, have been formally filed with the Civil Aviation Authority and go on immediate sale.

Although such special offers are certain to increase as Europe gradually removes the regulations governing air services within the Community, businessmen and full economy passengers are unlikely to see similar reductions. In general fares could rise, rather than fall.

Although the politicians may congratulate themselves on thrashing out a deal which somehow found unanimity among countries with widely differing attitudes towards airline competition, the airlines have no doubt that the general level of fares will not, and can not, come down.

"It is economically impossible," Kees Veenstra, general manager of aeropolitical affairs in the Association of European Airlines, said. Geoffrey Lipman, of the International Federation of Airline Passenger Association, agreed. "Normal business and economy fares are not going to drop, although there is scope for some new innovative fares at the margin," he said.

The facts would seem to support their claims. Last year the 21 members of the association made a total profit of £660 million gross, or just £253 million after taking into account interest payments. Yet they bought an additional 96 new aircraft last year and have announced orders for another 252, each costing up to £85 million and having to be paid for out of profits.

The same governments clamouring for lower air fares through greater competition and liberalisation are ironically proposing measures calculated to increase, rather than reduce, airline costs. They are pressing forward with plans to introduce value-added tax on air fares which could be set at between 4 and 9 per cent depending on the outcome of negotiations. The cost of collecting the tax alone could add 1.3 per cent to the price of an average ticket.

If duty free is also abolished, the threatened "energy tax" is introduced and airlines are asked to pay for the improvements in air traffic control and airport capacity, then sharp increases in prices become almost inevitable.

Airlines have had to absorb huge increases in costs with the average airport charge in Europe up 21 per cent on last year, the Euro-control bill soaring by 28 per cent and charges levied by the CAA, largely for improvements to Britain's radar cover, up by 45 per cent.

It all may appear something of a sob story by the airlines, but British Airways, which is easily the most profitable within Europe, made just £3 million last year from European and domestic markets from a revenue on the routes of more than £1.8 billion.

These are hardly the kind of figures which give credence to claims that air fares within Europe are "rip offs". Indeed full economy fares within Britain are approximately 34 per cent lower per mile than similar US domestic fares over similar distances. Full economy fares from London to the EC capitals are on average 7 per cent lower than US domestic full economy fares over the same distance.

The problem is in identifying just what is meant by "an air fare". Already there are wide variations in the price of a ticket on any given aircraft as airlines battle to meet the demand from different sections of the market.

A businessman who wants full flexibility and a few trimmings will pay £240 return in club class to Paris, for example, compared with £84 paid by a leisure passenger who is prepared to book in advance.

At this week's talks Britain was seeking full "double disapproval" where only the intervention of both governments at either end of a particular route would have outlawed any fare they wished to set. That will not now be introduced until 1993.

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# Australians arrested for murder

From Chris Eliou in Athens

TWO young Australians were arrested yesterday in connection with the murder of a British tourist and the wounding of his girlfriend in a knife attack on the Greek island of Rhodes on Thursday.

Police have named them as Andrea Vaccaro, aged 21, a construction worker of Italian origin, and Michael Tsingolis, 19, a Greek-born electrician, both from Sydney. The two men have been on holiday in Rhodes for three months.

They were arrested after one of them allegedly stabbed William Paul Petrie, aged 26, to death and injured his companion, Sharon Anne Dunn, both of whom come from Manchester. Mr Petrie died in hospital of a severe wound to the heart.

The Australians were remanded in custody by a public prosecutor after being charged with premeditated murder, attempted robbery, causing dangerous bodily injuries and for the illegal possession and use of weapons.

Yannis Sikiotis, the Rhodes police commander, said Miss Dunn had been in a state of shock and could not tell which of the two men had stabbed Mr Petrie. "But we definitely did not find a knife on the Englishman," he said.

Mr Sikiotis said Miss Dunn would have to stay in Rhodes for another few days to "assist in the preliminary enquiry" by an investigating magistrate. "She is now recovering from a state of shock at a local pension in the care of the British consul on the island and will remain incommunicado pending completion of the investigations."

Andy Goldsworthy, an environmental sculptor, working on one of the exhibits for his forthcoming *Hand to Earth* show at Leeds central art gallery. The piece is made from horsechestnut leaf stems held together with hawthorn spines, and forms a curtain about 15ft square. Each piece in the touring exhibition has to be put together from scratch wherever the show is set up. The exhibition opens in Leeds on July 22

London's homeless

# Cash injection to clear 'cardboard cities'

By Peter Davenport

MICHAEL Spicer, the housing minister, yesterday provided further details of the drive to rid London of its "cardboard cities" and tackle the problem of the thousands who sleep rough on the streets of the capital each night.

The Government is to make available £15 million immediately to be spent on a network of emergency shelters and the provision of more permanent accommodation which the government calls "move-on" housing.

Among other measures outlined by the minister to the Institute of Housing conference at Harrogate, were moves to tackle what he called "the national scandal" of empty homes around the country, estimated at 100,000 council houses and almost 600,000 in the private sector.

Mr Spicer said the government intended to begin discussions with voluntary groups to establish a fund which would help people living in hostels to overcome the hurdle of finding a deposit for rented accommodation. This would not involve cash payments to the homeless but provision of funds to housing associations to make accommodation available.

Mr Spicer was asked later whether the provision of the emergency shelters would mean that police would make wider use of their powers under vagrancy legislation to move the homeless from the streets. He said: "It is certainly the case that the public, particularly in London, is becoming very concerned about the abuse it often receives from people who have been sleeping out on the streets and it is true there are vagrancy laws whereby the police have powers to move people on.

"We would expect to be discussing with the police, once there is adequate alternative accommodation, their assistance in directing and pointing people towards alternative accommodation." Asked if the police would be expected to take further action against people who refused to move into the new network of emergency shelters, Mr Spicer said he expected them to use "the utmost tact" in dealing with the problem. Once the government had provided alternative accommodation there was no excuse for sleeping on the streets, he said.

He intended to set up, with the voluntary sector and certain, unnamed companies, a clearing system to give up-to-the-minute information about the availability of places in hostels.

There were 23,000 hostel places in London and more than 30,000 elsewhere in the country. There was "confusion and exaggeration", he said, about the numbers involved; last year 120,000 people classed as statutory homeless were found somewhere to live with those in temporary accommodation numbering 41,000. Mr Spicer said the government believed that up to 3,000 people were sleeping rough in London with another 2,000 in other towns and cities. The new programme and funding will initially be aimed at the capital.

Mr Spicer said that the ultimate goal was not to make the single homeless dependent on any institutional help but to assist them back to a position where they could look after themselves.

The new emergency shelters will be created from a variety of sources; he gave church halls, empty commercial properties, council-owned buildings and temporarily unused hospitals as examples. "I do not want these to be magnets which encourage young people to leave home and come to the big cities, but I do want them to be sufficiently well run to encourage those who are sleeping on the streets to use them."

Resources will be made available to provide people with counselling and advice on securing jobs with the intention of ensuring that they move on as soon as possible to proper hostel places, private-sector rented accommodation or, exceptionally, into subsidised settled accommodation. The government hopes to have the programme in full operation by winter.

● South Kesteven district council, in Mrs Thatcher's home town of Grantham, Lincolnshire, is going against government policy by deciding to build council houses for rent.

A spokesman said that demand had risen dramatically in recent times because of soaring interest rates and high prices. Mr Brian Gooch, head of the council's housing services, said they had not built a council house to rent since 1977 but that demand had risen between 10 and 20 per cent a year.

# High-speed Channel catamaran plagued by setbacks

By Michael Horsnell

SETBACKS are plaguing the launch of Hoverspeed Great Britain as a high-speed cross-Channel passenger service despite its impressive performance in attempting to break the transatlantic crossing record.

The mixed fortunes of the £15.4 million Australian-built catamaran, which is designed to carry 450 passengers and 84 cars, were disclosed by Hoverspeed, part of the Sea Containers Group.

The world's largest catamaran, at 242ft, had been due to enter service on June 14 on the run between Portsmouth and Cherbourg until "teething problems" forced two postponements, first until June 28 and now until July 12.

Stringent safety tests still have to be carried out by government marine surveyors before the vessel, registered in the Bahamas, receives passenger certification. Seats have yet to be installed on board the craft, which is expected by its owners to halve the present five-hour crossing time between Portsmouth and Cherbourg.

Hoverspeed, which has another five large catamarans on order, is contacting about 2,000 passengers booked on the catamaran and offering them refunds or alternative travel arrangements.

The delays in its arrival at Portsmouth began last month after damage to one of its water-impellor jets on the delivery run from its builder, International Catamarans, in Tasmania to New York. Then it was forced to remain in dry dock at Somerset, Massachusetts, for three weeks after vibration in the superstructure required strengthening work.

A spokesman for Hoverspeed said: "We always prefer to honour the time-table but when you have a prototype as this is you don't always know what will happen.

Yesterday the vessel was on course to break the transatlantic record and claim the Hales Trophy for the Blue Riband. She is due to pass Bishop's Rock, off the Isles of Scilly, the finishing point, before 8.30am today and to be met by a welcome reception at Portsmouth at 2.30 pm.

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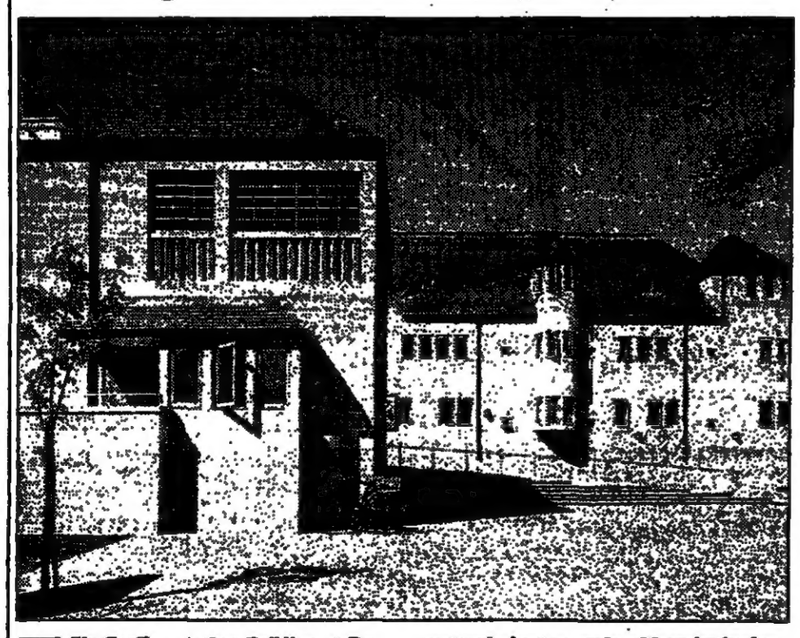
# College addition is built to blend



THE Sir Geoffrey Arthur Building at Pembroke College, the second-largest University of Oxford college building to open since the second world war, which will be opened today by Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, the chancellor. The competition-winning design by Maguire & Co, of Thame, formerly Maguire & Murray, takes the form of a snaking perimeter development enclosing two quads, with projecting bays and a broken roofline (Charles Knevitt writes). The £3 million building, of two and three storeys, has 96 study-bedrooms, and conference facilities and common rooms. It is built with cast masonry walls under a slate roof, to blend with surrounding colleges. The largest post-war college building is St Catherine's.

# Fulbright returns to seat of learning

From Susan Ellicott in Washington

SENATOR William Fulbright often jokes that his name is better known in Britain than in the United States. Today, at least, his theory will certainly hold true when the founder of one of the world's best known education programmes visits his alma mater, Pembroke College, Oxford, to have a quadrangle named after him.

The former Democratic Congressman, now aged 85 and who grew up in a wealthy white enclave of America's deep south, lent his surname to the Fulbright scholarship programme in 1946. His experiences as a Rhodes Scholar in modern history at Pembroke in the late 1920s inspired him to launch the programme in a gesture toward thawing the Cold War.

Judging from the amount he learned about the British while at Oxford, he reasoned, government-funded student exchanges between the US and foreign countries were the key to improving understanding between all nations.

"I would never have been anywhere if it were not for Oxford," he mused recently to a group of visitors invited for coffee to his Washington home. To this day, he owes his spell in Oxford to his ability, rare among young American men even today, to play soccer.

Pembroke's decision to honour him by naming part of a building after him, he believes, is proof within his lifetime that sound sense can reap rewards and find recognition in a muddled world.

More than 180,000 students, around two thirds of them non-American, have taken part in the Fulbright programme at a total cost of about one-third of an aircraft carrier, he said, finding an opportunity to rail against American defence spending. His next step is to extend the programme to include more Soviet and Eastern European participants.

He supposes he became a pacifist while at Oxford, overwhelmed by a sudden realisation of his own ignorance. "Not a bad place," he says with a mischief-loving grin, looking forward to seeing his quadrangle. "It's got a lot of history."

# Legal aid reform on class action delayed till April

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

REFORMS to the legal aid scheme to enable victims of disasters, defective products and other "group" litigants to bring class actions on legal aid have been delayed until April pending the Lord Chancellor's review on who should qualify.

The delay, which comes two years after the Lord Chancellor indicated he wanted changes, will cause dismay among consumer groups who have been campaigning for a change in the law to help mass disaster victims.

The Legal Aid Board said yesterday that after the consulation period which ended in September on its proposals for reform, it had submitted recommendations to the Lord Chancellor's Department.

The department said last night: "There were a few points that we had to go back to them about. The board is looking at these again and bringing forward revised proposals for the start of next financial year." However, the department insisted that "things were moving forward quite positively".

It is understood that a reason for the delay is that the proposals for multi-party or class actions have a bearing on the review under way by the Lord Chancellor's Department on who is and should be eligible for legal aid.

Henry Whitcomb, a lawyer with Citizen Action, which is campaigning for change in the wake of the litigation over Opren, the anti-arthritis drug, said: "This matter first came to public attention in early 1988 in the Opren litigation. The Lord Chancellor then committed himself to tackling this problem. Now it is more than two years since this commitment and we are concerned at the delay. There are several other large-scale cases pending and action is urgently needed."

The delay coincides with a call by a High Court judge for reforms to High Court rules and procedure to help victims of disasters and other "group" litigants to bring class actions.

Lord Justice Neill wants proposals for reform to be examined by a joint working party of the Law Commission, the Lord Chancellor's Department and the Supreme Court Procedure Committee, which he chairs. High Court rules now do not allow for "class" actions as brought in the United States.

He told a conference on Thursday of lawyers specializing in litigation over medical products that "one of the difficulties is to identify the case which is suitable for handling as a group case.

"The courts and the law have to try to find a machinery both to reduce the costs by avoiding the trying over and over again of the same issues, and at the same time, which is difficult, make sure every individual's claim is fully and fairly tried."

The courts had started developing an approach to tackle such cases, using a single judge who co-ordinates all the litigation (as in the Opren cases), he said.

# Two homes seized by mistake

THE Halifax building society and its estate agency subsidiary locked an elderly couple and a graphic designer out of their homes when their properties were repossessed by mistake.

Suzette Janczykowski came home at midnight to find bailiffs had entered her flat in Clifton, Bristol, with a crowbar and changed the locks. A note pinned to the door said the Halifax had repossessed the flat because the mortgage had not been paid.

She tried to contact her landlord without success and spent two days protesting to the Halifax before it discovered that the flat next door should have been taken back and returned to her her keys.

In the second case, Henry and Florence Hodson found a similar note on their home in East Dulwich, south London. The couple had not had a mortgage for 20 years and persuaded Halifax Property Services within an hour that an error had been made.

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# Cockfield criticises moves to delay EC membership

OBSTACLES should not be put in the way of applications from Efta countries for membership of the Economic Community being processed by December 1992, the date for completion of the internal market, Lord Cockfield, a former vice-president of the EC commission, told peers yesterday.

He was speaking in a debate in the House of Lords on relations between the community and Efta.

The question to be faced, he said, was whether such a new relationship could be developed. There was no substitute for community membership. It required a commitment to community policies, both present and future.

All Efta countries were fully qualified for community membership, but so far only Austria had applied.

"There is no justification under the terms of the Treaty (of Rome) to refuse to process Austria's application in time for membership by January 1, 1993. That date is critically important because it is the date set for the completion of the internal market and by then the legislation of the internal market will be part of the community and will be binding on any new member state."

Any attempt to delay that process was unwarranted. Claims that there was a consensus not even to begin consideration of membership until after 1992, was not what the treaty provided. The withdrawal of Russia from the heartlands of Europe meant that neutrality was no longer a problem.

Some of the strain would be taken off present negotiations between the community and Efta if Efta countries were allowed to join.

# Trade figures queried

INACCURACIES in statistics on Britain's overseas trade are giving a misleading impression about the balance of payments deficit, John Redwood, under secretary for corporate affairs, told MPs yesterday.

Speaking in a Commons debate, he said that the figures for exports were often inaccurate and had to be revised at a later date.

Last year there had been a £15 billion "black hole" in the figures. Statisticians admitted that they could not pin down this sum, almost the complete deficit itself.

One possible explanation was that Britain was exporting more services and that the invisible account was much stronger than the figures revealed. He believed there was some element of that.

The second possible explanation was that there had been an under-recording of inward capital flows. That meant that Britain had been a much more impressive magnet for inward investment than even the government had been led to believe.

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# Britain joins international relief effort for Iran quake victims

By Libby Jukes

BRITAIN yesterday joined the international relief effort to help Iranian earthquake victims. Lynda Chalker, the overseas development minister, said as a first step specially chartered planes, with blankets and medical equipment, would arrive in Tehran at the weekend. "Britain is prepared to do whatever it can to provide full help to Iran for the victims of this appalling disaster," she said.

Earlier there were suggestions that the Iranians were upset by Britain's failure immediately to send aid, although the two countries broke diplomatic relations over the Salman Rushdie affair. A London spokesman for Irna, the Iranian news agency, said there was "a feeling in Iran that the British government had not responded as promptly as others to news of the disaster". Aid and personnel ordered by the French and Japanese authorities arrived yesterday in Tehran for distribution to the stricken areas. "In these situations, you do not wait for an official request," the spokesman said.

But the Foreign Office insisted that Britain had never expected a bilateral appeal from Iran, but was awaiting reports from agencies on the ground about the type of aid needed and where it should be sent before dispatching supplies. An Iranian diplomat in London, working under the auspices of the Pakistan High Commission, said it was "very kind" of Britain to provide aid.

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, yesterday sent a personal message of condolences and an offer of assistance to his opposite number, Ali Akbar Velayati, via Swedish diplomats in Tehran.

The Iranian government was initially thought to have the situation under control, after launching its own $14 million (£8.1 million) relief effort in the provinces worst affected by the earthquake. But it soon became clear that the local Red Crescent society could not cope alone with such large-scale devastation. The Iranian authorities said yesterday that help would be welcomed from any source except South Africa or Israel, and President Saddam Hussein of Iraq was among the first to express condolences and promise assistance.

The Irna spokesman confirmed that British help would be welcomed, reviving hopes on both sides for the eventual restoration of diplomatic relations.

John Lyttle, the Archbishop of Canterbury's spokesman, yesterday said the families of hostages being held in the Middle East wanted help to be given to Iran regardless of the hostage situation. Mr Lyttle said on BBC radio's *The World At One*: "Their reaction is that it is obviously a natural disaster on a massive scale and that everything possible should be done to help the people of Iran who have suffered and who are suffering and that should be done quite regardless of any other consideration."

A team of 17 British search and rescue experts from the voluntary International Rescue Corps, based in Buckinghamshire, were among the first Western aid workers to reach Iran. The team caught a scheduled flight to Tehran early yesterday morning, after their offer of help was accepted by Iran's mission to the United Nations in New York. Although the International Red Cross suggested that Iran would not welcome foreign rescue personnel, the team was issued with visas valid for at least 14 days by Iranian representatives at Heathrow.

Meanwhile, a small plane carrying five doctors and nurses from the medical charity Médecins sans Frontières took off from Paris, with further flights from Toulouse and Brussels expected to leave later with 30 rescue workers and 50 tonnes of supplies, including Jeeps. German church groups, the British Red Cross and the Geneva-based League of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies joined forces to answer the Iranian appeal for immediate consignments of medicines and medical equipment, tents, blankets, water filters, electricity generators and vehicles. Japan promised $542,000 of supplies and sent a team of 19 relief workers. The UN Disaster Relief Organisation sent two senior co-ordinators to Iran to assess aid needs. The European Community has allocated $1.2 million of aid.

Teams from the International Rescue Corps assisted in the aftermath of the Mexican earthquake of 1985 and the Armenian disaster 18 months ago. "We know from past experience that our people will witness scenes of horrific devastation," said Terry Price, the corps commander, who is monitoring the operation from an office in London.

● **Quake appeal:** Iran has set up two earthquake relief bank accounts in London: number 16824 at Bank Melli Iran, 95A Kensington High Street (telephone 071-937 4321) and 011000 at Bank Saderat Iran, 5 Lothbury, London EC2 (071-606 0951). The British Red Cross also launched a cash appeal. Credit card donations can be made by telephone to 0898 234222. Postal orders and cheques can be sent to Iranian Earthquake Appeal, British Red Cross, PO Box 121, London SW1 7EW.

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# Undercover army unit 'in South Africa coup plot'

From Gavin Bell in Johannesburg

A CLANDESTINE unit of the South African Army and a former German Nazi officer have been implicated in an alleged plot by right-wing extremists to overthrow the government and to provide them with sophisticated weapons for assassinations.

The allegations were published in *Vrye Weekblad*, an Afrikaans newspaper, yesterday as security police questioned 11 suspects identified by a former intelligence agent who infiltrated the paramilitary Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB) and tape-recorded conversations about plans to create chaos and anarchy as a prelude to a coup.

Those detained on Thursday night included Gary Cornish, a member of the undercover army unit, Heinrich Beissner, a former Waffen SS captain, and Thomas Ferreira, the deputy mayor of Boksburg town council near Johannesburg. All were released after questioning, but a spokesman for the law and order ministry said investigations were continuing and further interrogations were likely.

"We are taking these reports very seriously," the spokesman said. "They will be investigated to the fullest extent. Where the security of government and political leaders is concerned, no effort will be spared to counter threats from any quarter."

An alarming aspect of the alleged conspiracy to assassinate President de Klerk and senior cabinet ministers, as well as Nelson Mandela, the African National Congress leader, is the reported prominent role apparently attributed to Mr Cornish of the Civil Co-operation Bureau (BSB), a secretive operations unit of the South African Defence Force.

The bureau's activities, which are said in the past to have included the murder of ANC activists in South Africa and abroad, are being investigated by a judicial commission of enquiry, but its 200 agents are still in active service.

Mr Cornish claimed in conversations allegedly tape-recorded by Jan Johannes Smith, the infiltrating agent, that he and other BSB operatives masterminded the conspiracy. Last Tuesday he allegedly gave Mr Smith details of a plan to assassinate Mr Mandela on his return from the United States which was apparently inspired by the novel *Day of the Jackal*.

After disclosing he had supplied an unidentified would-be assassin with a .303 sniper's rifle and "dum-dum" ammunition, he said: "He's already got the .303, telescopics, night-sights, everything. He's only got three bullets but that's all it will take. When Mandela comes back, he's dead meat."

Asked whether the BSB would assist the AWB in the event of a coup, Mr Cornish said on the tape: 'Yes, we'll support them. We're not going on our own. We haven't got the men, we've got the brains."

He added that he was in charge of an arms cache which included seven armour-piercing rocket-launchers, 500 automatic rifles with 50,000 rounds of ammunition, and 100 9mm pistols. Most of them were purchased in Mozambique last year by the BSB, he said.

Herr Beissner, aged 77, allegedly divulged plans to blow up power stations, destroy dams and poison water supplies to Soweto, the huge black township outside Johannesburg. He said the projects to kill Mr Mandela and disrupt power supplies were "at activation stage" and they were looking for a chemical engineer to get rid of "a million kaffirs" in Soweto.

Herr Beissner, who allegedly said he despised Jews, blacks and Afrikaners who turned against their own people, evidently feels at home in South Africa. In a recorded conversation, he said: "The police here are the best since the Gestapo."

According to AWB leaders who tried to recruit Mr Smith, the ultimate goal was a *coup d'état* by 4,000 commandos whose units and command structures would be in place by the end of this month.

## Kidnappers free victim for £1.45m

**Rio de Janeiro** — Kidnappers have released a publicity executive, Roberto Medina, on payment of a $2.5 million (£1.45 million) ransom three weeks after he was abducted by bandits armed with revolvers, shotguns and machineguns, from his office in a fashionable suburb of Rio de Janeiro (Louise Byrne writes).

The kidnapping is the latest in a wave to hit the Brazilian city. Since January there have been more than 20, more than for the whole of last year and three times as many as in 1987.

## Four jailed

**Pau** — A court gave 14 to 16-year prison terms to four members of a right-wing anti-terrorist group who were accused of carrying out attacks in the Basque country of southwest France. *(AFP)*

## Crime increase

**Paris** — The crime rate in France rose by 4.27 per cent in 1989, the first increase in five years, according to official figures. *(Reuter)*

## Prison battle

**Tucson** — Warders at Arizona state prison wounded 16 inmates with shotgun blasts fired to break up a rock fight between black and Hispanic prisoners. *(AFP)*

## Thai charged

**Bangkok** — Suchart Herabi, aged 28, a Muslim from Pattani, southern Thailand, has been charged with involvement in the murders of three Saudi Embassy officials in Bangkok this year. *(AFP)*

## Sparing the rod

**Hong Kong** — Hong Kong is to end the use of corporal punishment in its prisons, because a correctional services department study had shown there were better ways to rehabilitate prisoners than caning them. *(Reuter)*

## In the key of sea

**Buesum, West Germany** — Fritz, a "music-loving" whale, enticed by the strains of Chopin and Vivaldi played by the Greenpeace environmental group, swam to freedom in the North Sea after being trapped in a West German harbour for more than five days. *(Reuter)*

Bill Traverse, a Manitoba Indian chief, waving a feather in opposition to the Meech Lake constitutional accord

# Canada accord looks doomed as opponents rally to Indian chief

From Susan Ellicott in St John's, Newfoundland

CANADA'S chance of saving a constitutional accord dimmed yesterday, and now rests on an extension of tonight's midnight deadline for two of the 10 provinces to sign.

Leaders in the central province of Manitoba, where an Indian chief has held up ratification of the agreement to recognize French-speaking Quebec as a "distinct society", have said there is not time before the deadline expires to complete public hearings. Elijah Harper, a leader of the Cree tribe, has vowed again to reject the Meech Lake accord on the grounds that it discriminates against Canada's aboriginal people. The shy Indian has triggered a wave of demonstrations and emerged as a national hero for speaking out against an accord which many English-speaking Canadians fear would give Quebec too much power.

Mr Harper's unassuming manner is seen as a welcome break from the political posturing of other leaders in the run-up to the Meech Lake deadline and has attracted sympathy for his concerns.

Legislators in Newfoundland, a former British colony which depends upon cod fishing and government subsidies for economic survival, were set to vote on the accord by late afternoon provided they first cleared local business, a debate on a strike by hospital workers. The outcome of the vote hung in the balance, despite a personal plea by Brian Mulroney, the prime minister, for a united Canada to be preserved.

Meech Lake supporters have warned that Quebec could seek sovereignty if the accord dies. The Quebec government has given notice that it will not enter another constitutional debate if the two hold-out provinces fail to pass the accord.

"As far as we are concerned, our books will be closed on the 23rd, and afterwards we will have to think of something else," Gil Remillard, Quebec's minister of intergovernmental affairs, said.

In Winnipeg, the Manitoba assembly was expected to adjourn at lunchtime unless Gary Filmon, the province's premier, backed down on his pledge to ignore pressure from the central government to rush through a vote by shelving public hearings. More than 3,500 Manitobans have asked to speak.

The mood of urgency in Canada about Meech Lake has given way to one of resignation that the accord will fail. French-speaking *Québecois* are holding a "death watch" as they prepare to celebrate their biggest holiday of the year tomorrow, Saint Jean Baptiste Day.

A cartoon in *The Globe and Mail* yesterday depicted Quebec as a broken section of a maple leaf, Canada's national symbol, bidding "Au revoir".

Failure of the accord would put more pressure on Mr Mulroney to resign. Calls for his resignation have mounted following his admission that he set out to manipulate provincial premiers in to signing the accord by leaving crucial decisions until the last minute.

"The death of Meech Lake will rob Brian Mulroney of what little personal credibility he retains in English-speaking parts of Canada," Jeffrey Simpson, a columnist for *The Globe and Mail*, said.

Some Canadians are prepared to see Meech Lake perish in order to call Quebec's bluff on separation and to work out a more accommodating constitution.

"We need a looser relationship, but Canada doesn't have to come apart," said Philip Resnick, a professor of political science at the University of British Columbia and the author of two books on Canada's French-English divide. "The failure of Meech Lake may unleash a far more creative exercise in constitution-making", he said, provided both sides showed willingness to "engage in an open-ended exchange".

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Richard Nixon, the former US president, and his wife Pat on their 50th wedding anniversary in the garden of their home at Saddle River, New Jersey

# Wheeler-dealer silly season comes to Delhi

From Karan Thapar in Delhi

FORTY-THREE years after independence, India seems to have added to the democratic system it took from the United Kingdom by imitating that unique British tradition, the silly season.

Parliament is in recess, summer is in full swing and with temperatures soaring above 100F it appears that the heat has gone to everyone's head. Not since 1979, when the Janata government of the time was teetering on the brink of collapse, has the air been so thick with talk of political cabals and conspiracies.

Yet the issue exercising parliamentarians and press alike is the somewhat eccentric one of a national government. Should India have one? Who will join it and lead it? And who will lose?

The matter first surfaced on the front page of the *Indian Express* when its editor alleged that members of the Janata Dal party of the prime minister, V. P. Singh, and his Communist supporters were toying with the idea. Their real intention, which the newspaper claimed to be exposing, was to topple Mr Singh.

Yet the *Express* mission seems to have backfired. While the MPs it claimed were behind the conspiracy publicly denied their involvement and have complained to the Press Council, the prime minister has indicated his support for the idea. In fact, Mr Singh went further. He told journalists that he would be prepared to step down to facilitate the creation of a national government.

Perhaps he was simply indicating that, unlike conventional Indian politicians, he would not remain in office at any cost. But whatever his motives, his party did not approve of this indulgence in public rumination. They felt that, rather than letting the embers of a controversy go cold, the prime minister had stoked up the fire.

The opposition Congress (I) party of Rajiv Gandhi was delighted. Claiming that Mr Singh was all but ready to throw in the towel, it called for his resignation. Yet at the same time it also dismissed the idea of a national government. Such administrations were only necessary in an emergency or during wartime, its spokesman proclaimed.

Since then, every politician and journalist in Delhi has begun to play the game. It is now *de rigueur* to debate the various possible complexions of a national government. One such scenario has Mr Singh's arch-rival within Janata Dal, Mr Chandrashekhar, as prime minister in a government which includes Congress (I), the Communists and other breakaway elements of the present administration. A second has the Communist chief minister of Bengal, Jyoti Basu, as prime minister with support from left-wing parties and sections of Congress (I) who are disenchanted with Mr Gandhi, and segments of the Janata Dal who are disillusioned with Mr Singh.

But the most imaginative (or the most desperate) third option would have all political parties after specifically excluding Mr Singh and Mr Gandhi. This time the prime ministership is on offer to simply anyone who can pull off this amazing feat of unity.

What gives all this airy speculation a measure of limited credibility is that Mr Singh is running a minority government, precariously relying on the support of two bitterly opposed political foes, the Communists and the Hindu right. To make matters worse, he has also to contend with the disgruntled machinations of his deputy prime minister, Mr Devi Lal.

A national government is no more likely today than it was last November. The only problem is that this first silly season of speculation could easily end in tears. Mr Singh's critics now have a smoke-screen behind which to plot, while appearing to be doing his bidding. Unless he can put a stop to it, and his habit of thinking aloud, his nightmares could turn into reality.

# Bhutto defies the army over Sind

From Zahid Hussain in Islamabad

BENAZIR Bhutto, the prime minister of Pakistan, faces a threat of dissolution of parliament by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan as her government is in serious dispute with the army over the handling of the political crisis in her home province of Sind.

Miss Bhutto, who called in two divisions to deal with the political insurgency and ethnic violence in Sind last month, is reported to have refused to grant the army's demands for special judicial powers. The high command claims it would not be able effectively to deal with a civil war in Sind without being given full authority of arrest, trial and conviction. They have also demanded suspension of the power of the Superior Court to overrule the decisions of the military court.

A senior minister of Miss Bhutto's cabinet said that granting of such sweeping power to the military would virtually mean imposition of undeclared martial law in the province and undermining the civilian authority. The conflict has created a political impasse with both parties refusing to budge. The military has threatened to withdraw from maintaining law and order in Karachi and Hyderabad, as the government has not yet clarified under which constitutional provision have the troops been deployed.

The federal home minister, Aitazaz Axson, however, in a statement in the national assembly, said the troops were deployed strictly under the constitutional provisions. Mr Axson said that the troops were called in to counter terrorist activities in Sind and there was no need for suspension of the jurisdiction of the civilian Superior Court. But the minister did not specify which clause.

The president, who had openly criticised the federal government's position on the Sind crisis, is believed to have favoured the granting of special powers to the army. He is said to have warned Miss Bhutto that he would be left with no other choice but to dissolve the national assembly and call for fresh polls if the political crisis continued.

Miss Bhutto's Pakistan People's party government in Sind has arrested over 5,000 people in a province-wide crackdown in the aftermath of the ethnic violence which left more than 350 dead last month. The situation seems to be returning to normal now, but there is widespread fear of renewed violence if the troops are removed.

# America switches on to do-it-yourself television

From Charles Bremner in New York

IF YOU are the kind of person who knows who dunnit while Poirot or Columbo are still faltering after false leads, take heart. A California television company has created a device that will let you tell the bumbling detective, via a keypad, what his next step should be. If enough viewers agree with you, the sleuth will follow your advice.

Called *Sherlock Phones*, the detective show is one of the more ambitious of a plethora of experiments which let viewers take control of their television screens.

The idea of talking to your TV and receiving a response has been around for years, although usually restricted to revenge fantasies or the pages of science fiction books.

In the early 1980s several American companies tried and failed to entice viewers with crude attempts at two-way television in which they were asked to punch buttons for the answers to quiz questions or to vote in a poll.

Now, with fibre optics, and computers and multi-channel cable installed in over half of America's homes, entrepreneurs and advertisers believe the world is ready for true "interactive" television.

Ultimately, this will let viewers tailor television programmes to suit their tastes, right down to defining the characters and the plot, choosing the camera angles and even the cast. Already such devices are available in embryo in California and a few other areas in America. In Springfield, a town in western Massachusetts, and in Montreal, Canada, viewers are able to choose from various camera shots while watching a rock concert or a sports event.

In Sacramento, California's capital, cable subscribers use computer terminals to play along with popular quiz shows. Soon they will be able to compete for prizes against other viewers. In bars across America, fans compete for prizes by predicting the next "play" — the formal manoeuvre in an American football game.

The simpler systems broadcast a selection of signals — for example, camera shots at a football match — and allow the viewer to manipulate them. With more sophisticated systems, viewers feed their choices to the studio via computer or keypad, shaping the output they receive. In the case of *Sherlock Phones*, devised by Laser Arts Interactive of Los Angeles, the story is filmed with numerous variations. At the moment, the studio broadcasts the action chosen by the majority of viewers, but in future, the programme may be tailored to the individual, just as in a computer game.

While enthusiasts speak of new horizons, sceptics doubt if the couch potato has any taste for getting involved in the direction and casting of a favourite pastime. "Most of the time, what the individual wants to do is sit back and relax," Russel Neuman, a television expert, told *The New York Times* in a survey of the new genre. A university professor argued that tinkering with the plot "flew in the face of 2,000 years of dramatic experience".

Interactive television is the last thing the traditional broadcast industry wants to hear about as it struggles to preserve its dwindling audiences. The trinity of old networks — ABC, CBS and NBC — are suffering as never before from the onslaught of alternative viewing in the form of videotapes and cable broadcasting. The network audience slumped precipitously this spring to only 63 per cent, forcing companies to give free time to advertisers who had been guaranteed larger audiences.

Last week all three networks dumped Nielsen, the company that measures the ratings, and announced that they would use other methods of calculating their audiences. One potential beneficiary is a British company, AGB Television Research, owned by Robert Maxwell, which has been asked by the networks to develop a new ratings service.

# Troops plan for Germany takes West by surprise

From ANNE MCELVOY IN EAST BERLIN

THE Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze, caught the Western allies unawares yesterday by presenting them with a full draft programme of phased troop cuts for Nato forces in Germany, a proposed ceiling on the size of a future united German army, and the speedy withdrawal of allied troops from Berlin.

Britain, France and the United States, whose foreign ministers were meeting in East Berlin for the "two plus four" talks on the security arrangements for a united Germany, immediately opposed the solution, saying that it had no place within the current negotiations.

Mr Shevardnadze said that the Soviet Union favoured a 50 per cent reduction in Western allied military presence in Germany over the next three years and wanted to see the German army reduced to a territorial defence force incapable of launching a war.

He also proposed that both Germanies should stay in their respective alliances for five years and added: "The competence and spheres of action of the Warsaw Pact and Nato should not be extended to territories outside their current spheres of action."

The move comes as the Soviet Union finds itself entrenched in its isolation on the question of Nato membership of a united Germany. It is the most concrete Soviet proposal so far and is evidently intended to dispel discontent at home, as the country is perceived to be losing influence over the future shape of Europe.

The Western allies, however, have countered that a future Germany must have "absolutely the same rights as every other European country", diplomats reported. The allies are unwilling to see troop reductions brought into the two plus four negotiations and have responded that any such moves would have to be discussed at the talks on conventional arms reduction, being held in Vienna.

Earlier, at a military ceremony to mark the closing of the American observation point, Checkpoint Charlie, Mr Shevardnadze upstaged the event's host, the American Secretary of State, James Baker, by proposing that all allied troops should be withdrawn from Berlin six months after reunification, scheduled for December of this year.

"We propose to our partners that, with the establishment of a joint German parliament and government, the allied regime be abolished and the troops of the four allied powers leave the greater Berlin region within a six-month period," he said.

The suggestion drew loud applause from the crowd of Berliners gathered to witness the event, but the three Western powers and West Germany have made no attempt to hide their irritation at what they see as a Soviet attempt to force the pace of negotiation on the future shape of Germany. "It was a total shock for us that the Soviets came in with a complete draft," said a Western diplomat.

Both the West German foreign minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, and Mr Baker reiterated in their talks on Thursday that the thorny topic of troop sizes should play no part in the two plus four negotiations.

The Western allies have 12,000 troops stationed in Berlin, while the Soviet Union has 2,500 of its 380,000 troops on East German soil stationed in the eastern sector of the city. West Germany has suggested reducing its army from 495,000 troops to between 300,000 and 400,000, while Moscow is now hinting at a ceiling of 250,000. The East German foreign minister, Markus Meckel, considers a 300,000 ceiling to be the lowest acceptable figure.

Herr Meckel said yesterday that he considered a transition period to Nato membership acceptable "as long as it is clear how long it will last and what will replace it".

# Prague chief on trial

From REUTER IN PRAGUE

PRAGUE'S hated former Communist chief, Miroslav Stepan, will go on trial on Monday charged with abusing his powers as a public official and inspiring others to do so during two anti-government protests in Wenceslas Square.

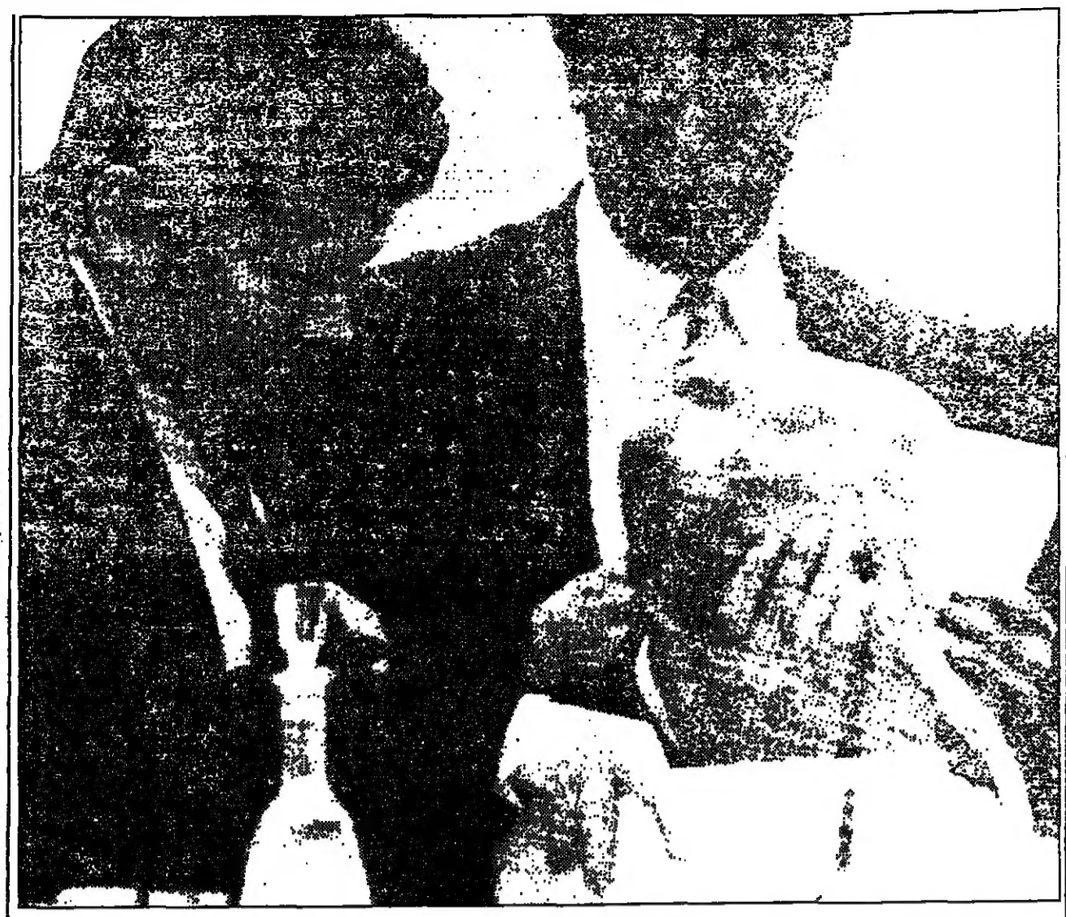
The demonstrations in October 1988 and January last year were violently crushed by police. Mr Stepan was widely believed to have been behind brutal police action at sporadic street protests since August 1988. Police used dogs, water cannon and tear gas against several thousand people protesting in the square in October 1988 to mark the 70th anniversary of the founding of Czechoslovakia.

Vaclav Havel, now the president, was among several dissidents arrested at the January 1989 protest to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the death of Jan Palach, the student who burned himself to death to protest against a Soviet-led 1968 invasion.

Mr Havel was sentenced to nine months in prison but released in May last year, after serving four months.

Mr Stepan was sacked from the Communist party and arrested when the old regime's power crumbled late last year. He claimed to have been out of Prague on November 17, when police beat students, unleashing a string of protests calling for the end of one-party rule. The state news agency, CTK, said Mr Stepan's trial at Prague district court would be closed because classified documents would be discussed.

○ Havel pact: President Havel and Czechoslovakia's leading political parties have agreed on the membership and agenda of the next government (Peter Green writes). A public announcement next Wednesday comes after the first free parliamentary elections following 42 years of rule by the Communists.



Boris Yeltsin betraying his exhaustion at the closing session of the Russian Federation conference yesterday

# Hints of Gorbachev stepdown haunt Russian party congress

From MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

THE Russian Communist Party conference — now congress — has been punctuated by hints and denials that President Gorbachev is preparing to step down as general secretary of the Soviet Communist party.

On Wednesday a passing remark by Mr Gorbachev that he might not be party leader in 10 days' time was interpreted as meaning that he intended to quit. Within hours Yuri Prokofyev, the Moscow first secretary, who is considered a close Gorbachev ally, appeared at a press conference to set the record straight.

The next day Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, who had met Mr Gorbachev the previous evening, told a group of Austrian journalists he would not be surprised if the Soviet president decided to step down from his party post. Simultaneously, the head of the Leningrad party, Boris Gidaspov, told other foreign journalists he did not believe Mr Gorbachev would step down and said it would be "a big loss, a drama, for the party" if he did.

Between these two episodes, Mr Yeltsin had told *Pravda* that he was considering suspending his party membership to be seen as a politically impartial Russian president, and Yegor Ligachev, figurehead of the party's conservative wing, had publicly questioned whether one man had the time to perform party and state leadership functions effectively.

The "will he, won't he" speculation is likely to continue until Mr Gorbachev himself makes a pronouncement, but the airing of so many views on the subject in the same week shows that his continued leadership of the Soviet Communist party is being talked about in party circles and is likely to be a consideration, if only behind the scenes, at the party congress which opens on July 2.

There are compelling reasons why President Gorbachev could be considering giving up his party post and equally compelling reasons why he could choose not to. The least possible scenario, from the present perspective, is that he would be forced from the post. His commanding manner as chairman of the Russian party conference this week and the powers he wields as state president suggest that, if he departs from the general secretary's post, it will be at his own instigation.

Several considerations could be uppermost in a decision to resign. For one person to combine both leadership functions has proved unpopular in the party and the country generally.

Two ideas have penetrated even the less politically aware sections of the Soviet public: the first is that a president should be directly elected by all the people, the other is that one person should not hold two senior posts simultaneously. At present Mr Gorbachev errs on both counts. His popularity in the country could be improved if he stepped down from the party.

Aside from this simple popular view, Mr Ligachev's implied complaint, echoed by others, that Mr Gorbachev has neglected party work to concentrate on state leadership is only one side of the argument. The other is the view held by Mr Yeltsin, and widely supported, that a president should not simultaneously be bound by party discipline.

The other main reason why the Soviet president could choose to leave his party post would be in order not to be too closely associated with the party's decline. Only General Jaruzelski in Poland has successfully remained in politics through East Europe's transition to democracy, and he switched horses from party to state soon enough.

As Mr Gidaspov's remarks indicated, the party's authority would suffer and its decline would probably be accelerated if Mr Gorbachev ceased to be general secretary. The question Mr Gorbachev has to ask, though, is whether the party is yet so weak that it could not become a power base for a potential opponent.

A partial answer may be given at this week's Russian party conference and Mr Gorbachev is unlikely to make up his mind, if he is considering resigning at all, before that conference ends.

The election of the Russian first secretary will indicate the likely balance of conservative-centrist-radical forces at the Soviet party congress. If it tips towards the conservatives, then Mr Gorbachev is unlikely to risk handing over the leadership of the Soviet Communist party. If it tips towards the centre or the reformists, he might be prepared to make way for another general secretary of his own choosing. The name of Aleksandr Yakovlev, his trusted Politburo colleague, has been mentioned.

# Power rivals avoid clash

From MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

PROCEEDINGS of the new Russian Communist Party have overshadowed a week of meetings in the parliament of the Russian Federation that could turn out to be of more historical significance than those of an institution in decline.

In between appearances on the platform at the party gathering, the Russian president, Boris Yeltsin, has been chairing parliamentary discussions on legislation to underpin the federation's sovereignty as a republic within the Soviet Union.

In the course of four days, the federation's full parliament, the Congress of People's Deputies, has approved in principle a "decree on power", which sets out the bases of the republic's political and economic autonomy. It has fixed Mr Yeltsin's salary at 900 roubles a month and set up an economic council of specialists and politicians to discuss ways of tackling the crisis in all spheres of life.

It has also declared its intention of establishing the federation's own newspapers and broadcasting stations. Mr Yeltsin has frequently complained that his presidential campaign was ignored by the central media.

The decree on power is both the most far-reaching and the most contentious of the documents approved, and it was only passed in principle. All but one article has yet to be approved separately. The approved one calls for party and state powers to be separate and bans one person from holding leading offices in both bodies.

Unconfirmed reports say that the security and economic sections of the decree were discussed at a meeting early in the week between Mr Yeltsin and President Gorbachev, who expressed his deep misgivings about them. On Wednesday Mr Yeltsin persuaded the Russian parliament to satisfy itself with approving the decree in principle and postpone more detailed discussion.

That decision ensures that direct conflict between laws of the central Soviet authorities and those of the Russian Federation has been avoided for the time being.

# US profits as Soviet brain drain quickens

From CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

YURI Malinovsky sits at the wheel of his Buick radio-cab waiting for a passenger in Manhattan. On his lap is perched a fat treatise in English on hydrodynamics.

Until last year Mr Malinovsky was a professor of mechanical engineering in Odessa. Now he has joined the army of thousands of educated Soviet citizens — the great majority of them Jewish and Armenian — who are struggling to break into professional life in the United States.

"It's like starting from scratch," said the former professor, who holds the equivalent of a PhD and boasts 15 years of experience in teaching and research but speaks little English.

"It's not just learning the language, it's getting used to fighting all the competition — not only with the Americans, but also the Koreans and Indians and all the rest. But I don't regret it for a second. This is America."

Next to Israel, the United States is the main beneficiary of the exodus from the Soviet Union over the past three years. Three-quarters of the recent Soviet Jewish immigrants hold university qualifications and about 2,000, like Mr Malinovsky, are scientists with advanced degrees.

By one official Soviet estimate, 10 per cent of the 230,000 emigrants last year belonged to the highest levels of professional qualification, a loss that the Soviet Union can ill afford.

Like earlier generations of immigrants, once in the United States they usually face years of work as taxi drivers, salesmen or in other jobs which are well below their educational standard.

It is not uncommon in New York to find your laundry being delivered by a Russian doctor and a senior Aeroflot captain at the wheel of your taxi.

The flood of Jewish and Armenian arrivals is only part of the drain of Soviet talent to the United States. While the overall numbers are much smaller, universities and research laboratories are quietly attracting some of the brightest Russian scientists and engineers to work in their chosen fields. Several hundred Soviet mathematicians, physicists and other specialists are now on visiting fellowships at Berkeley, Stanford and UCLA in California, to Harvard, Yale and Princeton on the East Coast. Last year more than a thousand visas were issued for scholarly exchanges.

Given the precarious state of their country, many are expected to seek permanent work in the United States. Nineteen senior Soviet scholars have been at Berkeley since early last year and at least two dozen mathematicians have worked at Harvard.

Most prominent of the new arrivals is Roald Sagdeyev, the Soviet Union's renowned space scientist and an adviser to President Gorbachev. Dr Sagdeyev, now married to Susan Eisenhower, granddaughter of the late American president, is working at the University of Maryland.

"If I were in the Soviet Academy of Sciences, I would be worried," David Wilkinson, the head of Princeton's physics department, said in the *Christian Science Monitor*. Princeton has just acquired two teaching professors from the Soviet Union.

A United States network to help Soviet scientists has developed since last February's meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at which visiting Russians gave an emotional account of their plight at home.

"Many people are afraid to stay," Maxim Frank Kamenetsky, a professor of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, told the conference.

The scientists complained of a dire lack of resources and a bureaucracy which still stifles free-ranging research. "When you walk into US labs and see everyone at computer screens doing their own work, you want to cry," one said.

Earlier this month Yuri Osipian, a member of Mr Gorbachev's presidential council, urged Moscow to find ways of stemming the brain drain. But many Russians in America say they cannot imagine how the money or facilities at home could be made attractive enough to entice them to go back.

# UK wants to give Euro-court teeth

From MICHAEL BINYON IN BRUSSELS

FEW people know much about the European Court of Justice. Most confuse it with the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg or the International Court of Justice at The Hague.

Yet the Luxembourg-based court is at the centre of British ideas on European political union. Ironically, its ruling this week ordering British courts to freeze laws incompatible with European law has raised a constitutional furore at the very moment that the British government is promoting the court as a key instrument of EC reform.

On Monday Mrs Thatcher will outline to fellow European leaders at the Dublin summit proposals to give the Luxembourg court more bite. She will suggest it be given power to enforce its judgements, either by fining member states that refuse to abide by its rulings, or in some other way exacting a penalty.

At present the court's judgements have only moral force. Its functions are strictly limited and defined by the Treaty of Rome: to decide whether member states have failed to fulfil treaty obligations, review the legality of acts of the commission and council of ministers or their failure to act as obliged, and give preliminary rulings on points of EC law for national courts of member states. It has no power to prescribe penalties.

Britain believes talk about closer political co-operation is hypocritical until member states carry out obligations already undertaken. Britain has a good record of compliance with community directives. Countries such as Belgium and Italy have poor records, with a relatively large number of cases brought against them in Luxembourg.

The British proposals, also mentioned in a Belgian memorandum on steps for improving the efficiency of EC institutions, are inchoate. How fines should be levied has not been worked out. Officials say it would be difficult to withold entitlements — farmers could not be expected to suffer loss because of their country's failure to enact an EC directive. Instead, it would be better to attach a levy to annual own resource payments. But they admit this could arouse fierce opposition from members.

The proposal arouses little enthusiasm in the court itself. The main objection, judges and officials say, is that prescribing penalties would only inflame the situation politically. Countries unwilling to obey a Brussels ruling are even less likely to pay a fine. And what should the court then do ? Flouting a specific penalty is far more damaging to the court's dignity and authority than ignoring its rulings.

"You must not ask the court to do that which you will not accept politically that it does do," said Professor David Edward, Britain's first judge in the newly established Court of First Instance — a preliminary body to determine facts in complex cases and relieve the overburdened main court.

Determining the size of a fine is also difficult. "What should the penalty be for a refusal to clean up the beaches or admit British beef?" he asked.

Edward: sees problems in deciding on penalties

But there is a more fundamental objection to the British ideas. They contradict the deliberately limited role of the court drawn by the framers of the Rome treaty. The European Court is not, as often supposed, a court of general instance or a European version of the US Supreme Court. The ways cases are referred to it are limited and EC citizens have no right of direct appeal to Luxembourg. To give the court power to prescribe remedies would, in the view of Judge Edward and several other judges, be a big step towards federalism — the opposite of what Britain intends.

He said the founders' secret was not to write down the political structure they were aiming to create, though they had no doubt what they wanted. Only thus was the EC able to accommodate differing legal systems, economies, attitudes and military commitments, inconceivable in a federal structure.

# Legacy of squalor for handicapped children

From CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN BUCHAREST

SIX months after the overthrow of Nicolae Ceausescu, his legacy to the children of Romania is still being uncovered in parts of the country which were overlooked in the first wave of international concern.

Nowhere is this more apparent than at No 6 Busloi Street on the rundown outskirts of Bucharest, where 260 children aged between seven and 16 are struggling to cope with conditions of squalor in one of only two schools in the country designed to cope with partially deaf children.

"Everybody seems to have heard of Romania's orphans, but few pupil know about the handicapped. They live on the very margin of society and Ceausescu tried to ignore them by burying their problems under the carpet," Maria Manea, the director, said. "That is why these children are living in conditions that would have been out of date 40 years ago."

Professor Manea estimated that 90 per cent of her charges were there because of problems directly attributable to the communist regime rather than from any hereditary hearing problem.

Most caught ear infections because of lack of heating which were then wrongly treated, or they were born from mothers with problems of malnutrition which led to their defects," she said.

Teaching and living conditions in the school's dank, 19th-century premises — complete with refrigerators which do not go below freezing, underground and overcrowded classrooms, and a lack of proper hearing aids — are only matched by the state of its dormitories, nearly a mile away, to which the children walk twice daily.

In one, 70 children are packed in a building badly damaged by recent earthquakes, where windows and doors are often wrenched off by children trying to escape. The nightmarish atmosphere is intensified because most can communicate only in sign language.

"The only hearing aids we have got are antiques which the children will not use because they pick up so much extraneous noise that they only make their efforts to hear worse," said Professor Manea, a psychiatrist banished to take charge of the school in 1979 when Ceausescu ordered the closure of the psychiatry unit where she was teaching.

She has prepared a three-page list of requirements so basic they include even aspirins. In the dormitory for 70 children, there were only four filthy toilets and four showers where water was heated by a rusty boiler which worked only occasionally.

MATT GLASS

Children communicate in sign language at one of two schools for the hard of hearing

What little aid from the foreign contributions since December has reached the school has mostly been stolen by former communist party members who run its stifling bureaucracy. When one parent tried to expose the scandal earlier this month, the management of the school attempted first to bribe her with an offer of a job, then threatened to send her child to a home for the totally deaf if she spoke any more about it. "I know about this because the child was in my class, but I am too frightened to do anything more about it," Emilia Dumtrache, a young psychiatrist, said.

This is what is happening to much Western aid all over Romania; it is going to the former party cadres, to the *nomenklatura* who share it out among themselves.

Miss Dumtrache, who said she refused to be intimidated by members of the management who had ordered her not to speak, claimed that former Communist party members had stolen food and clothing intended for the children.

"What you can see of life in this school is bad enough, but what you cannot see is even worse.", Miss Dumtrache added, as more than 60 of the children milled around the stone-floored dormitory where they were locked in for the day with only a filthy courtyard for exercise. "Of course, they cannot wash properly and their food is miserable. It is difficult for us to know what to do when we see even the little help they are given stolen from them."

Since the revolution, Professor Manea has repeatedly requested that the school be allowed to take over four dormitories, two buildings which were tailoring workshops devoted to manufacturing clothes for the late Elena Ceausescu.

"The buildings are not being used for that any more, but the state concerns which own them refuse to let us have them," the professor added. "It seems that these children, handicapped by no fault of their own, are doomed to remain the outsiders that everyone ignores."

The building was filled with the stench of diesel oil used for cooking in a kitchen which lacked even a potato peeler to prepare the 260 meals a day. The daily allowance for food had recently been doubled to just over the equivalent of £1 per child.

"There is nothing we do not lack," the professor said. "But in addition to the basic needs shared by so many institutions looking after Ceausescu's children, we have to remember that ours and others who are handicapped have special needs."

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# Mengistu in last-stand plea as rebel forces close in

From JONATHAN CLAYTON of REUTER IN NAIROBI

WITH rebel groups closing in, President Mengistu of Ethiopia has admitted his country is on the verge of collapse. In an impassioned speech to parliament urging the people to rally to save the nation, President Mengistu for the first time this week confirmed guerrilla reports of fierce fighting north of the capital, Addis Ababa, and the Red Sea province of Eritrea.

"Citizens must realise ... that their motherland is on the verge of collapse in the face of various conspiracies," Addis Ababa radio quoted him as saying. Mr Mengistu said the present fighting would decide whether Ethiopia survived as a united sovereign state.

Rebels linked to the Tigré People's Liberation Front say they have killed nearly 22,000 government troops in the past three weeks and claim to be within about 60 miles of Addis Ababa, while Eritrean independence guerrillas have virtually cut off Mr Mengistu's Second Army of 120,000 men. Military analysts in Addis Ababa say the army is isolated outside the Eritrean capital, Asmara, and constantly harassed by guerrillas. Its only link to the capital is by air and they say it no longer receives sufficient supplies.

A senior Western diplomat said in Addis Ababa last week the army was "encircled and must be thoroughly demoralised and dejected. Meanwhile, the rebels are gradually tightening the noose".

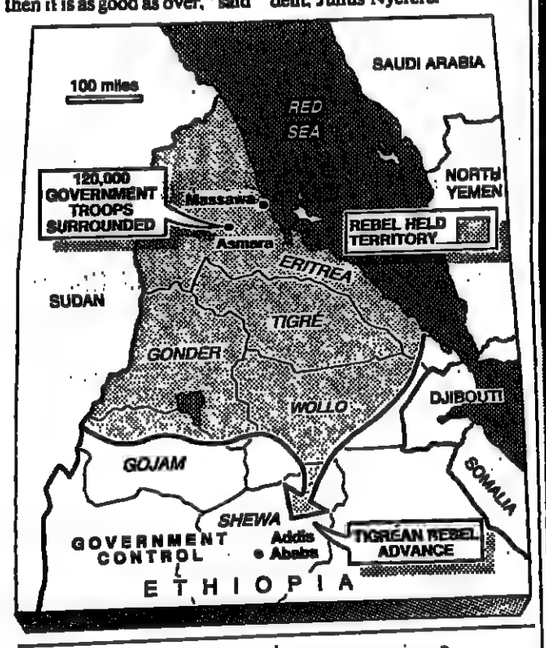
The Eritrean rebels, who in February captured the Red Sea port of Massawa, are now reported to be closing in on Asmara airport. "If that goes, then it is as good as over," said the diplomat, adding that for the first time in 29 years of warfare the rebels would control the entire province.

In his speech, President Mengistu said the setbacks followed an agreement between the Eritrean and Tigrean liberation fronts to launch a joint offensive "to divide and disintegrate the country". He declared: "The choice before citizens is obvious. It is either to struggle for the unity and territorial integrity of Ethiopia or to see its downfall and destruction."

Diplomats said Mr Mengistu was trying to appeal to the strong sense of nationalism of most Ethiopians, but doubted whether he would succeed. "The war has gone on too long and he is too closely associated with it for this to carry much weight," one said.

The president lost more support last month when 12 leading military officers were executed for involvement in an attempted coup in May 1989. The executions, carried out in the cellar of the presidential palace, provoked the first open expression of anti-government sentiment seen in the capital for years.

Meanwhile, concessions by the government to try to revive the stalled peace process have been met with scepticism by the rebels, who accuse President Mengistu of playing for time. Earlier this month, the government gave in to a key demand of the Eritrean rebels to invite United Nations observers to attend peace talks. So far no date has been fixed for the talks, sponsored jointly by the former US president, Jimmy Carter, and the former Tanzanian president, Julius Nyerere.




# Tamils accused of massacring Muslims

From ASSOCIATED PRESS IN COLOMBO

TAMIL guerrillas hacked to death 62 Muslim villagers in eastern Sri Lanka yesterday, accusing them of being government informants, the defence ministry and an opposition Muslim leader said.

The massacre at Nintavur came on the eleventh day of war between Tamil separatists and Sri Lankan forces for control of the northeast. In the north, rebel forces overran one army base. Ethnic strife between Tamils and Sinhalese spread to south and central Sri Lanka, and military officials said at least 139 more people died in fighting, bringing the toll to more than 1,400 since June 11.

The defence ministry said troops found the bodies of Muslim men, women and children in Nintavur. Military officials said rebels used knives to kill the villagers.

Survivors said the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam raided the village early yesterday because they feared the residents would reveal their jungle hideaway, according to Mahroof Gani of the Sri Lanka Muslim Congress, an opposition party. He said the rebels set fire to a mosque, looted and burnt down houses and left placards warning Muslims not to work for the government.

The defence ministry said Nintavur was hit by fleeing Tamil rebels who lost at least 100 of their fighters during a battle with government troops at Karativu village, a rebel stronghold nearby.

Residents in Batticaloa, the capital city of the district, said they believed the Nintavur killings were carried out by government soldiers.

● AMPARAI: Survivors at a refugee camp here yesterday described a pogrom in which 26 out of a community of 100 Tamils died on June 12 (James Pringle writes).

"We were just eating supper," said Mrs Mahen Kelimma, aged 22, a Tamil woman from the village of Ingineyagala, near here. "Then I heard a noise."

According to Sinhalese neighbours, a mob of 150 stormed through the village towards the little community of Tamils. Soon, they said, they could hear the screams of the Tamils.

"I picked up three of my children and told my fourth boy, the eldest, to follow me," said Mrs Kelimma. "We ran ... towards the forest. I looked back and saw some men grab my son. They seemed to be throwing liquid on him from a can." Later his burnt body was found.

"My mother, brother and sister also died. I hid with my other children in the forest for four days."

Young rebels with a cause: boy guerrillas of the Tamil Tigers in the jungle near Batticaloa, eastern Sri Lanka

# Tokyo says it is top aid donor

From JOE JOSEPH IN TOKYO

JAPAN claimed yesterday to have overtaken America last year as the world's largest foreign aid donor. The country's political leaders hope that what they call "an epoch-making development" will end international criticism of Japan's traditional lack of generosity.

Japan's foreign ministry said official development aid in 1989 totalled $8.95 billion (£5.2 million), down 1.9 per cent in dollar terms because of the fall in the value of the yen. America's spending fell more sharply, from $10.14 billion to $7.66 billion. US figures exclude military assistance.

France was third with $7.46 billion. Tokyo was hurt earlier this year when President Mitterrand attacked it for proposing vast aid plans but actually paying out very little.

While Japan may have overtaken America in aid spending, it is still chastised for funnelling 70 per cent to its own backyard in Asia, and for paying out only 0.32 per cent of its gross national product in foreign aid. The average among industrialised nations is about 0.35 per cent of GNP.

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# Bishops critical of Moi

From MARTI COLLEY IN NAIROBI

CATHOLIC bishops in Kenya have broken with their habitual reserve to denounce what they called a trend towards dictatorship by the ruling Kanu party and an obsession with security which could pave the way for excesses.

Seventeen archbishops and bishops signed an open pastoral letter criticising the regime of President Moi. It said: "Whoever raises any criticism against some particular measures taken by the party is considered to be attacking the government of Kenya. Furthermore, the superiority of the party over the authority of the parliament seems to be an accomplished fact.

"We are afraid that the 'philosophy of national security', publicly condemned by our brethren, the bishops of Latin America in union with the Pope in 1979, may become installed in our country, leading to political murders, unlawful home searches, arbitrary detentions, confessions under torture and death squads."

The bishops' statement was made the day after police broke up a press conference in Nairobi, declaring it an illegal and subversive meeting and confiscating the notebook of a BBC reporter.

The press conference was called by Paul Muite, John Khaminwa and Gibson Kuria, three prominent lawyers, to draw attention to what they describe as intimidation and harassment by the security forces. Mr Muite, who represents Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, two former government ministers who are calling for an end to one-party rule in Kenya, and who were threatened with arrest on Wednesday, said he feared for his security after a visit by police to his office.

# Executions on increase in China

**Peking** – China has executed dozens of serious offenders during the past month as part of the latest law-and-order campaign in which the Supreme Court has called for heavy and swift sentencing (Catherine Sampson writes). The *Legal Daily* newspaper commented yesterday that the campaign so far was a success but gave no clues as to when it would end.

The paper hinted that overzealous officers might be getting carried away. Despite the urgency of the struggle against crime, it said, law enforcers should attempt to do things according to the book. This latest campaign is aimed at murderers, rapists, terrorists and pimps, and also at thieves, economic criminals, and those who sabotage transport and communications.

## House fails to protect US flag

**Washington** – The US House of Representatives has rejected a constitutional amendment to protect the American flag against desecration, killing its chances for passage this year.

The 254-177 vote for the amendment was 35 short of the two-thirds majority required for passage in both the House and Senate. *(Reuter)*

## Burma regime ducks handover

**Rangoon** – The military regime in Burma, humiliated by an opposition landslide in last month's elections, yesterday promised talks with the winners but effectively rejected demands for a quick handover of power.

A spokesman said it was waiting for the proper time to hold a dialogue between the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council and the political parties. *(Reuter)*

**What are the prospects for German reunification this year?**

Are two more German rulers about to be overthrown?

This Sunday, in a special 16-page Wimbledon supplement, the Observer assesses the chances of Steffi Graf and Boris Becker holding on to their crowns.

We consider the top 20 contenders for their titles – and put forward a new theory as to why none of them is British.

There's a chart showing the draw for the tournament, so you can enter the results day by day.

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# Saying no to holy war

**Clifford Longley**

Any number of organisations claim to speak for Britain's Muslims. So far none has emerged as dominant, and journalists have to be careful not to take such claims at face value. An Iranian-backed group, the Muslim Institute in London, is the latest to make its bid for leadership. As might be expected, it is virulently anti-British; more surprisingly, it is almost as viciously anti-Saudi. The institute, directed by Dr Kalim Siddiqui, is busily capitalising on the *Satanic Verses* affair, which it sees as its chance for ascendancy and power.

The Muslim Institute wants to start a Council of British Muslims, and is offering an olive branch to any established Muslim organisation that will join it. The real appeal, however, is to British-born Muslim youth. The level of idealism, commitment and militancy is deliberately high. Its *Muslim Manifesto*, published this week, describes *jihad* (holy war) as "a basic requirement of Islam", and says that "living in Britain or having British nationality by birth or naturalisation does not absolve the Muslim from his or her duty to participate in *jihad*".

This participation "can be active service in armed struggle abroad and/or the provision of material and moral support to those engaged in such struggle anywhere in the world". There is no third option. At home, integration and assimilation are rejected as weapons used against the Muslim faith by "the British" (which category is evidently supposed to exclude Muslims).

Money counts in British Islam, and fortunately Iran has little. The real target of the *Muslim Manifesto* is Saudi Arabia, which is called "hypocritical" and "insincere". The Saudi royal family is the guardian of the holy cities of Mecca and Medina, and using this prestige and its financial weight, Saudi Arabia has quietly dominated, and even controlled, the development of Muslim community life in Britain. It deserves credit for doing so responsibly.

Saudi Arabia is the leading sponsor of the Regent's Park Mosque, and the leading financier of mosques and other community institutions throughout Britain. But Saudi Arabia and Libya (another source of funds for British Islam) have been wrong-footed by Iran over *The Satanic Verses*, in a more-Islamic-than-thou competition in extremism. So the *Muslim Manifesto*, which two years ago would have been laughed out of court, has appeared at a volatile moment.

These are Middle Eastern squabbles, however. Most Muslims in Britain were either born in the Indian subcontinent or have parents who were; they do not naturally look to Arabs or Iranians for leadership. The Muslim Institute's appeal to Muslim youth in Britain presupposes at least a degree of the very integration it deplores — enough, at the very minimum, to weaken the hold of a Pakistani, Indian or Bangladeshi background, so that Iranians, Arabs sympathetic to Iran, or even the Muslim Institute itself can speak for them.

But Muslims have proved themselves not much better than Christians at transcending national rivalry: armed conflicts between Muslim states are as common today as conflicts between Christian states in the past. The Pakistani community in Britain is split into regional Muslim sects which distrust each other intensely. At least in Britain they can live together peaceably.

The only realistic basis for transcending the various factionalisms and nationalisms within the British Muslim population is the absorption of a common British culture, rather than any appeal to a mythical Islamic *ummah* (single, united, global Muslim community). Britain has so dominant and powerful a culture that efforts to resist absorption will almost certainly be in vain. Muslims should note what happened here to the French Huguenots, the Irish Catholics, the majority of Middle and Eastern European Jews, and even the post-war Poles. The same is already happening to the Muslims.

A Muslim is not being unfaithful to his beliefs by recognising that Judaism and Catholicism are no less distinctive and demanding in their claims than Islam. Over the years many members of these groups have generally become utterly British, entirely indigenous, enriching the native wit and stock, yet holding firmly to their beliefs. The groups lose some of their number, and they gain others. Residual anti-Catholicism and anti-Semitism still exist, but those hostilities decline with each generation.

Britain swallows such minorities whole, unlike the United States where ethnic difference is encouraged. And all but the most blinkered Anglican would have to admit that real God-fearing religion in Britain is now seen more among Catholics, Jews and Muslims than in the Church of England.

The only viable course for Muslims born in Britain is to be British, and to love their country. That does not stop them loving their faith. Britain is a good place to be a Catholic, a Jew or a Muslim; better than most. Coexistence of faiths demands maturity, the intelligence to separate the essential from the incidental, and the grace to treat one's faith as an offering to the common good. Catholicism is in better heart in Britain than in many a so-called Catholic country. British Jewry is admired by Jews all over the world. There is every reason to hope that Muslims in Britain can expect as good a future.

## ...and moreover

# MATTHEW PARRIS

A friend was amusing us at lunch recently with his account of a *Save the Rhinos Ball*. "Why?" asked a little girl at the table. Solemnity fell upon the grown-ups. We had been shamed in our giggling. "Because rhinoceroses are an endangered species," said one of us, in a *Listen with Mother* voice. "There are only a few left, and hunters keep killing them, and soon they'll be extinct. We don't want them to disappear."

"Why?"

"What do you mean, 'why?'?"

"Why don't we want them to disappear?"

"Well, it would be sad, dear, if there weren't any. Wouldn't you be sad if rhinos didn't exist?"

"No. They're horrid."

"Well maybe you don't *like them, darling, but that's no reason* for wanting them all to die."

"Why not? We've got a magpie-trap. We don't like them either . . ."

"Oh no, that's different. You see, there are lots and *lots* of magpies, so it's all right to kill some because . . . well, there are lots left."

The adult was plainly faltering in the face of relentless infant scepticism. Happily the child desisted. She had won, articulating doubts half-formed in more minds than her own. *Why* should we put clapped-out species on life-support machines?

I once saw some okapis in a zoo in Antwerp. These creatures, from the Congo I think, are a sort of cross between a giraffe and a zebra. They looked absolutely miserable, as you would, if you were a moth-eaten traveller down a dead-end evolutionary track.

The okapis realised that it was all over bar the shouting, and stared bleakly into the Belgian drizzle, as little Walloons offered them chips with mayonnaise. I felt for them. Imagine the shame of knowing that your long neck and long tongue were not needed for chips or mayonnaise, that your stripes had given you away to every passing pygmy, and that you had now faced the indignity of seeking sanctuary in a Belgian zoo. I would want to end it all on the spot. You could tell the okapis did.

Man, we are told, has evolved from the ape, passing through a number of disagreeable interim stages. Is it a matter for regret that these beasts have disappeared, yielding to the improved model? Would conservationists wish to freeze species that are still evolving, as well as those that are disappearing? Think how many "endangered species" fell beneath the glaciers of the advancing Ice Age! I suppose the Nature Conservancy Council would have wanted more money to melt the glaciers.

And what's so wonderful about pandas? They look grumpy old things to me, and apparently they refuse to eat anything but fresh bamboo shoots, and roll on their young, squashing them. Quite frankly I think Mother Nature (who, I am sure, is a Thatcherite) is trying to tell these ingrates something: "Buck up your ideas or quit the planet. If you don't want to eat nice fresh leaves, I know plenty of species who do. And if you roll on your children you soon won't have any left, and don't expect me to do anything about it." We should leave Mother Nature to sort this out with the pandas.

Or are we concerned because it is at our hands that some species are dying? Species have been dying at the hands of others since the world began. What often stops one species multiplying to the exclusion of all others is that it begins to strangle itself by its success, destroying, polluting or impoverishing its own habitat. In this task, mankind was coming along very nicely until the Greens started interfering.

Their attempt to take control of the destiny of species, presented as humility before the altar of Nature, is the grossest arrogance. It is ecological blasphemy to try to break the self-limiting mechanisms by which species advance and recede. It is an arrogance which will take us back to Noah's Ark, with a sample of every species but our own retained in glass boxes and allowed to breed for posterity. And we call that reverence for nature!

Survival, with ignominy — or death with dignity? Pandas! Okapis! Dachshunds! Fight for the right to extinction!

**Jill Sherman**, social services correspondent, on the conflict over the pace of NHS reforms

# Clarke, the shackled revolutionary

The choice between revolutionary and evolutionary change has hampered Kenneth Clarke's reform of the health service. The government has been plagued by indecision about whether to present its programme as radical change or as mere tinkering with management, and this has been exploited by the medical profession and the Opposition. If it does too much too quickly it will be accused of dismantling the NHS; if it does too little, the reforms will be regarded as a waste of time and energy.

This week there were reports that Mrs Thatcher, against the wishes of her health secretary, had called for the more far-reaching reforms to be delayed. The wound was smartly sutured by her denial, but the scar remains.

Mr Clarke conveyed a muddled message to health authority members in Scarborough yesterday, claiming that although he wanted to break the mould of the NHS, there would be few surprises and no disruption in the pattern of services for the first year or two.

Mr Clarke's men deny that he has had his wings clipped by the prime minister, and that he is under backbench pressure to rein in his proposals. They maintain that there have been no complaints from the whips' office, that there will be no U-turn, and that the reforms are going ahead on schedule from April 1991.

Health authorities will then start buying services for the people in their areas, with money for the first time following the patients. Service contracts will be drawn up, with hospitals specifying basic quality standards such as maximum waiting times. Between 40 and 50 NHS trusts will be set up and 300 or so family doctors will manage their own budgets.

All this sounds tediously familiar. What has changed is the presentation of the reforms and the expected achievements in the first year. It is now clear that there will be no revolution, and that the evolution will be even slower than expected. This has more to do with the monolithic nature of the beast Mr Clarke is trying to change than with mere political whim. Nevertheless, the prime minister is understandably nervous of any upheavals during the run-up to the general election; she told Mr Clarke so months ago.

If, for example, district health authority managers start exercising their rights to choose where to send their patients, bad or expensive hospitals may go out of business. The most likely victims of an internal market are prestigious hospitals in London which will be competing aggressively against one another. When the losers start closing wards, Mrs Thatcher will look particularly vulnerable in her Finchley constituency.

Hospitals still do not have the necessary information technology to operate an internal market, even if tightly regulated. Health authorities or GP budget-holders will find it almost impossible to have sophisticated contracts ready for action on April 1.

Very little, it now seems, will happen in April directly affecting patients. Most will still see the same GP and go to the same hospital. The structures for trading services will be in place, but the market will be so tightly regulated that hospitals will be unable to compete. Health authorities have been told that to begin with, they must not alter existing referral patterns. Good hospitals will not be able to earn more money for more work, because they will not get more work. Similarly, bad hospitals will not go bankrupt because patients will be guaranteed.

Most managers accept these restrictions, aware that they will be busy enough setting up the new mechanisms. However, they argue that unless Mr Clarke gets significant extra resources for the NHS next year, they will be unable to get even this far. Maverick district and self-governing hospitals which want to go faster may not get their business plans approved. Nothing will really change in the initial twelve months, Mrs Thatcher has been assured.

Mr Clarke's greatest fear is the distinct possibility that the whole exercise will be regarded as a damp squib. The less enthusiastic managers and doctors will sit back and do nothing, while the entrepreneurial ones will feel let down.

That is why he is reluctant to abandon his revolutionary fervour. Though a firm believer in the NHS, he has always been enthusiastic about the reforms. He is also convinced that the only way to budge a slumbering dinosaur is to kick it quite hard.

Carried away by the "we can do no wrong" attitude of a government at the height of popularity in its third term of office, Mr Clarke was more bullish than he should have been. Instead of saying to the NHS: "We have reviewed the service and decided it is so good that we only want to tinker with how it is managed", he all but disowned it.

As the political climate has changed, with Labour doing much better in the polls, Mr Clarke has wisely revised his approach, but he is nevertheless determined that the reforms should go ahead. He is intent on breaking the mould of national pay bargaining, by letting self-governing hospitals set their own pay rates. And he is keen to make the medical profession more accountable, in terms of both cost and clinical standards. He wants to see shorter waiting times for admissions and hospital outpatient appointments.

It will take between two and three years before anyone knows whether the reforms will work or not, and by then the election will have been held. Mr Clarke has to maintain some momentum to avoid disappointing the keener managers and doctors in the service, but he should realise that a gradual evolution is more realistic, less risky and much more acceptable to the public, doctors and most politicians.

# No group is an island: all division diminishes us

**Pierre Trudeau**, former Canadian prime minister, on the balkanisation threat posed by Quebec separatists

Without the cold breath of ideological hostility between blocs, ethnic nationalism is again beginning to smoulder. From Georgia and Azerbaijan to Quebec, the approaching 21st century is beginning to look alarmingly like the 19th.

At such a pivotal moment in history, it is necessary to restate the modern, liberal principles of statehood which led us away from the bloody disasters of nationalistic and ethnically-based politics.

In the early 1980s, I pressed successfully for the Canadian Constitution Act. This eschewed "distinct society" status for Quebec in favour of a federalist solution, but in 1987 "distinct society" status was granted by the Meech Lake Accord, and now it threatens to balkanise Canada. There are lessons from the Canadian experience for all countries grappling with the re-emergence of ethnic-based nationalism.

If six million Canadians of French origin cannot manage to share their national sovereignty with 20 million of British and other origins, there is little hope for far less privileged regions of the world, where deprivation fuels age-old enmities.

Throughout history, when a state has taken an exclusive and intolerant idea of religion or ethnicity as its cornerstone, the usual outcome has been violence and war. Religion had to be displaced as the basis of the state before religious wars could be ended, and there is little hope of putting an end to wars between nations until the nation, defined as a narrow ethnic unit, ceases to be the basis of a state.

From Nazi Germany to Islamic Iran, states that define their function essentially in terms of ethnic or religious attributes inevitably become chauvinistic and intolerant. Nationalists are politically reactionary because they are led to define the common good in terms of an ethnic group or religious ideal, rather than terms of the whole people. That is why nationalist government tends to be intolerant, discriminatory and totalitarian.

Lord Acton wrote in 1862 that as an ideal unit founded on race, the nation "overrules the rights and wishes of its inhabitants, absorbing their divergent interests in a fictitious unity; sacrifices their inclinations and duties to the higher claim of nationality, and crushes all natural rights and all established liberties for the purpose of vindicating itself. Whenever a single definite object is made the supreme end of the State, the State becomes for the time being inevitably absolute."

So a truly democratic government — whether provincial or federal — cannot be nationalist, because it must pursue the good of all its citizens, regardless of sex, colour, race, religious belief and ethnic origin. Democratic government stands for good citizenship, never nationalism.

This is not to say that the state must disregard cultural or linguistic values: they must have high priority. And while government policies will inevitably serve the interests of ethnic groups, especially of the majority; this should be a natural consequence of the equality of all citizens, not a special privilege of the largest group.

Federalism is pluralist rather than monolithic, and so respects diversity. In general, freedom has a firmer foundation under federalism than in any kind of unitary nation-state. This is especially true in Canada, where there are two main ethnic and linguistic groups, each too strong and deeply rooted to be able to engulf the other.

I have always believed that if these two groups could collaborate at the hub of a truly pluralistic state, Canada would evolve a form of federalism that could be a prototype for the polyethnic civilisation of the future, a better model even than the American melting-pot. Rather than forging a new alloy, the Canadian model would preserve the characteristics of each group in a mosaic of cultural coexistence.

The Constitution Act of 1982 committed Canada's federal and provincial governments "to promote equal opportunities for the well-being of all Canadians". Furthermore, the Act embraced the principle of equality of the French and English languages in all domains of federal jurisdiction, so guaranteeing English and French speakers alike the right to education in their own language anywhere in Canada.

In the grand tradition of the 1789 Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen, and the 1791 Bill of Rights of the United States, the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms under the 1982 Act implicitly established the primacy of the individual over the state and all government institutions, and thereby recognised that all sovereignty resides in the people.

In this respect, the Canadian Charter was a new beginning for the nation. It sought to strengthen the country's unity by basing the sovereignty of the Canadian people on common values, and in particular on equality for all Canadians.

Clearly, the very adoption of a constitutional charter is in keeping with the purest liberalism, according to which all members of a civil society enjoy certain fundamental, inalienable rights and cannot be deprived of them by any nation, ethnic or religious group. All individuals are free and equal, each with absolute dignity and value. As such, individuals cannot be coerced by any ancestral tradition, for they are vassals neither to race, religion, condition of birth, nor collective history.

It follows from this that only the individual, not the ethnic group, is the possessor of rights. Groups have rights only by delegation from their members. The spirit and substance of the Canadian Charter is clear: it protects the individual from the tyranny of the state and from any other tyranny to which the individual may be subjected by virtue of his belonging to a minority group.

The notion of Quebec as a "distinct society" (where individual rights are subordinated to collective rights) reopens the possibility of the balkanisation of Canada and threatens to undermine the very foundation of a liberal state. Such balkanisation may presage a return to a kind of conflict once thought to have passed into history.

If the 19th century is what awaits us at the opening of the 21st, we should listen once again to Lord Acton, who described with extraordinarily prophetic insight the errors of nationalism which were to soak the 20th century with so much blood: "A great democracy must either sacrifice self-government to unity or preserve it by federalism. The coexistence of several nations under the same State is a test, as well as the best security of its freedom. It is also one of the chief instruments of civilisation.

"The combination of different nations in one State is as necessary a condition of civilized life as the combination of men in society . . . A State which is incompetent to satisfy different races condemns itself; a State which labours to neutralize, to absorb, or to expel them is destitute of the chief basis of self-government. The theory of nationality, then, is a retrograde step in history."

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*Pierre Trudeau headed Canada's Liberal government (with one brief break) from 1968 to 1984.*

## DIARY

### By the seat of his chance

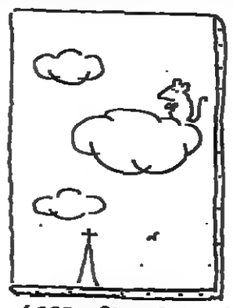
Labour's dwindling number of hereditary peers may be further diminished if the heir to Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede, chief whip in the Lords until his death last week, disclaims his title. Fred Ponsonby, who is 31, was one of the few Labour candidates to taste victory in the Wandsworth council Tory landslide last month. He is politically ambitious, and has confided to friends that he is considering emulating the 2nd Viscount Stansgate (now plain Tony Benn) in renouncing his peerage.

With only 12 hereditary peers, and few working ones, the Opposition is sorely stretched. Labour peers are trying to persuade Ponsonby to take his seat by offering him the prospect of a frontbench post for life and ministerial office under a Labour government. Ponsonby has six months to make up his mind. He will have to weigh the peers' offer against the chances of securing a safe seat in the Commons — and the eventual possibility of the party's highest office. David Williamson, co-editor of *Debrett's Peerage*, says: "It is a dilemma for him, but there have been many examples of people forsaking their titles for places in the Commons." Since the 1963 Peerage Act, 12 peers have disclaimed their titles.

Lord Hailsham, who disclaimed his title in 1963 to make a bid for the Tory leadership, wants his son, Douglas Hogg, the Tory MP and minister, to resume it, but Hogg is thought to have different ideas. Tony Benn's title, on his death, will pass to his eldest son, Stephen, who shares his father's left-wing views, so history may repeat itself. But, says the younger Benn, "the question is academic: the second chamber will have been reformed by then, so it won't arise."

### Knife and blade

Royal artist Terence Cuneo has scaled new heights in his quest for artistic excellence. After painting more royals than anyone since Van Dyck, the 82-year-old Cuneo has been hanging out of the door of a helicopter painting a picture of the spire of Salisbury Cathedral. Well strapped and linked by intercom to the pilot, he says: "It gets a bit windy, and makes me dizzy, but it's the only way to paint the spire properly. There is no danger of my falling out, but the pilot does become anxious when I stretch out a little too far for his liking." Cuneo has been airborne three times, and has just put the final touches to the oil painting, which is expected to raise £15,000 for the Salisbury Cathedral spire appeal. Like all his paintings since 1953, it bears his hallmark: a to-scale mouse. For his next work, Cuneo plans an even more arduous exertion: "I'm going riding with the cowboys in Texas."



(GED after CUNEO)

### Back to your kitchens

A picture of bigotry, snobbery and elitism sufficient to drive the gentlest liberal into the arms of the Workers' Revolutionary Party emerges from *Hats Off! to Conservative Women*, written by Elizabeth Hodder to commemorate 60 years of women's Tory conferences. At various times during that period, says the book, Conservative women — motivated by "patriotism, unity, stoicism, true blue grit" and a hatred of socialism — "did not want valuable resources to be spent on educating those who did not want it or warrant it". They thought young women did not deserve the vote because "they smoked and drank too much and had haircuts which were far too short"; they criticised mothers for working, and in 1952 debated the restoration of wage differentials.

The role of Tory ladies, with or without their hats, was seen as arranging canvassing parties with "some nice tarts on your (tea) trolley", and concentrating on "aspects of women's rights which would not arouse male hostility". How does Mrs Thatcher, who is to address today's diamond jubilee conference at the Horticultural Halls, fit into all this?

● *Ever-vigilant security men at the House of Commons yesterday returned Bryan Gould's briefcase after he left it in the MPs' canteen. Although it has no obvious identification, they knew it must belong to the shadow environment secretary, for inside was the best-kept political secret of the day — a document entitled "Labour's alternative to the poll tax". Sadly it went unread, though a mischievous Tory MP remarked: "If the policeman had opened the folder, I bet there would have been nothing in it."*

### Stirling flight

Britain remains resistant to the work of the Praemium Imperiale architecture award winner, James Stirling. Since Prince Charles attacked his controversial design for the Mansion House development, Stirling has fallen from favour and has had to go abroad for work, mainly to Germany and America. Speaking after the banquet at Hampton Court Palace to honour the Praemium Imperiale winners — the contest is funded by the Japan Arts Association — he said: "I do not expect to get more work in England. I expect more work in Japan and other countries, but not England." Stirling refuses to blame Prince Charles for his isolation. "He is entitled to his views, he is a very sincere man." The £55,000 award will not change his lifestyle, he says. "It will pay the rent on one of my offices."

### For Pete's sake...

The shortlist of candidates to succeed Labour's communications director Peter Mandelson was drawn up yesterday. Neil Kinnock will have the final say on the appointment, one of the most crucial he will make in the run-up to the next election. Roy Hattersley's right-hand man David Hill, television producer John Underwood and internal candidates Colin Byrne and Jim Parish are on the list. The only surprise is outsider Alison Dunn, regarded by Walworth Road insiders as the "obligatory woman". Party officials predict a dirty campaign and say the right candidate will have to demonstrate he (or she) has the street-fighting abilities necessary to take on Kenneth Baker's stormtroopers at Conservative Central Office.

Mandelson and Kinnock's press secretary, Julie Hall, have been in America all week, giving Colin Byrne, Mandelson's deputy, a chance to cover himself in glory. But it has not worked out that way. The last week has been a bad one for Kinnock after his slip on the *Panorama* interview and the subsequent rubbishing of Labour's taxation proposals. Kinnock will be praying that Mandelson makes a speedy return.

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# WHEN TRAGEDY STRIKES

However rebarbative a country's government, neither geography nor politics should stand in the way of Britain's response to the Iranian disaster. Fast international communication brings the horror of such calamities home to everybody round the world. Fast communication generates a demand for relief, and should make relief feasible and swift. The emotions aroused by the Caspian tragedy have prompted even Iran's great enemy, Iraq, to offer condolences, and assistance.

Western governments have been right to mobilise. They would be wrong to see Iran's hour of need as a "diplomatic opportunity" to improve relations. That would be a diversion, and – certainly in Britain's case – a misreading of the character of the Iranian regime. There is no reason to suppose that the saving of Iranian lives, the knitting of broken limbs or the shelter of hundreds of thousands would induce a theocracy which has murdered thousands of Iranians in the name of Islam to call a halt to its Rushdie obsession. By refusing to consider assistance from Israel and South Africa, Iran has already served notice that it puts politics before the alleviation of suffering.

Virtue must be its own reward. But if political considerations should be set aside, common sense must not be. The hardest fact of the response to tragedy is that charity is inevitably enmeshed in politics, because donors, whether governments or private agencies, must deal with national governments. The character of a regime critically influences the prospects of relief reaching the victims. The most generous of gestures is mere foolishness if aid goes not to the victims but to the agents of political repression.

Ever since the 1984-5 famine, the Mengistu regime in Ethiopia has consistently used food aid as a weapon in Ethiopia's civil wars. Aid has become a political weapon, with the government blocking deliveries of food aid to areas controlled by its opponents, and a military weapon, with supplies diverted to government troops. There is no civil war in Iran, but there is corruption enough for substantial diversion of aid between arrival in Tehran and reshipment to the provinces of Zanjan and Gilan.

The Iranian Red Crescent has asked for equipment, but said there is no need for personnel "at any level". That must be accepted for now. After long years of war, Iran should be relatively well equipped to handle huge casualties even where speed is of the essence. But after the initial response, assistance must be properly monitored. The yawning discrepancies between the casualty reports put out yesterday by the Iranian Red Crescent and the government news agency illustrate the need for external assessment.

Disaster relief is an inexact science, often more inexact than it needs to be. Confusion in offering assistance can compound disasters: in one celebrated instance, the West shipped massive consignments of food to Guatemala after the 1976 earthquake. Arriving at harvest time, this "aid" flooded local markets and ruined the country's farmers. Nor is there any justice in accusing the British government of not being quick enough off the mark. The French government, ever keen to steal a propaganda coup, has rushed 205 aid workers and 18 sniffer dogs to the scene, only to be told that they may not be allowed into the earthquake zone. Better to send appropriate assistance, a few hours later, than unwanted goods which can actually obstruct the flow of relief. The first consignments of medicines and blankets leave Britain today, and quite properly correspond to the needs identified locally.

The handling of this initial aid will be entirely in the hands of the Iranian Red Crescent. If current estimates that 400,000 have been made homeless are anything like accurate, much more help will be needed for the survivors. At that point, non-governmental organisations with experience in disaster relief and a sound reputation for monitoring are a better conduit for aid than single government gestures aimed more at propaganda coup than at true charity.

# THE FEMALE DIMENSION

Mrs Thatcher's praetorian guard was on parade yesterday at the Conservative Women's annual conference in London. John Major was there pursuing his new exhortatory credit policy, much as Labour ministers pursued exhortatory incomes policies; Kenneth Baker put in a *grand guignol* performance on the exorbitant cost of Labour's programme; David Waddington insinuated that Labour was unsound on the IRA.

This was all standard fare for the Tory faithful. But yesterday's audience included no ladies with blue rinses at all and few, if any, who had ever entertained the idea of restoring the birch to deal with strikers, hooligans or members of the shadow cabinet. The harpies of the Tory conferences once depicted so mercilessly by the cartoonist, Vicky, are more or less extinct – if indeed they ever existed.

Today's Conservative women are chiefly preoccupied with anxieties which not even the most accomplished conference heart-throb could banish with a few slick phrases. If it were that easy, Michael Heseltine would indeed be unstoppable. The practical political questions which worry Tory women every day – how to have better schools, health care, local services and a decent environment without letting inflation out of control – are not susceptible to glib rhetoric.

Opinion polls have indicated that the government is significantly less popular with women than with men, Mrs Thatcher notwithstanding. Indeed, the prime minister may be part of the problem. She no longer enjoys the instinctive support of the Tory female constituency which she earned with such painstaking efforts after her election as leader. The tendency of Conservative women to judge members of their own sex in political office by particularly rigorous standards appears to have changed very little as a result of Mrs Thatcher's long tenure at Downing Street. She is now, once again, suffering from that tendency.

None of this is to suggest that, as a doctrine, conservatism is a lost cause among women. Quite the contrary: if the government has erred in their eyes, it has usually been by its enthusiasm for change in every sphere of life. Because of their distinctive perspective, women tend to notice the hidden costs of Thatcherism, while they are more frequently denied its fruits than men. Women, especially single mothers, make up a disproportionately large part of the bottom fifth of society which has little to show for the past decade.

Middle-class women, too, are more likely to spot the gaps left by legislation, the monopolies and privileges which remain – if only because they find themselves excluded from them. Those areas of the economy which have felt the influence of the free market most strongly tend also to be those in which ambitious women receive a square deal. Elsewhere, large differentials between the sexes persist.

Mrs Thatcher's own example remains an inspiration for all women. She has pointedly eschewed positive discrimination throughout her career, and has made it her business to master the whole breadth of policy, rather than specialising in so-called women's issues. Conservative policies for women should continue to be subsumed into policies for society in general. A ministry of women, treating half the population as though it were a special interest, would be retrograde.

That said, there is a case for speedily co-opting many more women into the policy-making echelons of the Tory party, even if this means bypassing the formal route to power through the constituencies. If floating women voters favour breaking down barriers within society and avoiding unworkable diversions (like the poll tax), rather than pleading for special favours, then all government policies must have elements that will attract women. Mrs Thatcher knows this and, with such initiatives as the education reforms and measures to help the children of broken marriages, she has made a start.

# FOOLS AND THEIR MONEY

An anxious parent, scanning a headline reading "Pupils of 9 being head hunted", might wonder if it was safe to send little Tommy or Jane to school. Cannibalism must be rare in this country, but there is no point in taking chances.

The story itself might be thought hardly less alarming. The directors of exceptionally far-sighted companies are already signing up promising nine-year-olds, hoping to reap the reward of their patience when the children come to the end of their schooldays. Gifted 16-year-olds are being offered "golden handcuffs" worth substantial sums. The reason for this strange baby-snatching is the belief in some commercial circles that, what with 1992 on the one hand and the falling birth-rate on the other, the bird must be exceptionally early if it wishes to catch the cleverest worms.

These hunters of infant heads are not quite so far-sighted as they think. The whole purpose of the wheeze, after all, is to corral exceptionally intelligent children. As many a parent would testify, exceptionally intelligent children have a knack of running rings round their harassed elders. Many a mother has been persuaded by her silver-tongued offspring that she promised to take them to the circus, though she has no recollection of making any such vow. What if the hunted can see even further than the hunters?

Take those golden handcuffs. The report mentioned "thousands of pounds". These sums have a habit of growing with the telling but hundreds, at least, may have changed hands in what can hardly be called pay-offs, so they had better be called pay-ons. Do the hopeful firms not know how many bicycles, fishing-rods, tickets for Kylie, home computers and the like this premature largesse will provide?

Nothing wrong with that, perhaps; but will not the firms become a little uneasy when they see their future captains of industry turning not to high-interest bank accounts, but a down-payment on a motorbike? Who wants a finance director who believes that every day is Christmas, or a head of planning who insists that the ravens will provide?

There is another snag. No doubt the head-hunters, when they catch another brace of heads, pat them kindly and murmur: "Sign here." But remember that these heads are the *crème de la crème*. They will sign happily but take care not to catch each other's eyes, lest they should burst into unseemly giggles. They know something (not for nothing were they called swots) that the head-hunters have forgotten. In English law, it is unlikely that such a contract could be enforced against anyone under the age of 18.

How devastating for companies to wait so patiently through the years, and then, just as they are about to enter into their inheritance, find that their quarry has slipped away to a rival concern, possibly leaving a note reading: "Ah, take the Cash in hand and waive the Rest." (The hunters may not know where that quotation comes from, but the hunted will.)

Times do change. Once upon a time, little children were forced up chimneys and paid no more than a few pence to clean them. Now, they can get enormously rich by doing nothing but gurgle brightly in their prams. This gives a fresh meaning to the familiar phrase: there's one born every minute.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Police liaison for World Cup

*From the Minister of State, Home Office*

Sir, I should like to reassure readers of *The Times* about the preparations which have already been made for effective policing of England supporters in further rounds of the World Cup, given John Goodbody's reference (June 21) to the limited time which exists between the first and second rounds.

We have been well aware from the outset that progression through the World Cup will involve rapid redeployment, and our police liaison has been planned accordingly. British police officers have already visited the location to which the England team will progress in round two, in addition to the extensive liaison with the Ministry of the Interior in Rome where we have had one officer stationed throughout the World Cup.

The liaison effort in Cagliari worked exceptionally well. I saw the arrangements myself earlier in the week. The co-operation between the Italian and the British police has been excellent – a fact which has been recognised by the Italians.

There has already been an encouraging response to the National Football Intelligence Unit's request for information from members of the public about possible football hooliganism. Anyone who has further information is invited to call on 071-230 5340.

Yours sincerely,
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Home Office,
Queen Anne's Gate, SW1.
June 22.

## Honours system

*From Mr Alan Tate, MC*

Sir, Some 45 years on, perhaps it would be possible to make some gesture towards the many who gained gallantry awards in the 1939-45 war but who received them, months after the war, by post.

I served in 45 Commando Royal Marines and was awarded a Military Cross in February, 1945, in Holland.

After the German surrender my unit was sent to the Far East. I returned, was demobilised and eventually received my medal by post, with a printed two-sentence message from the King and a request that I acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN TATE,
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Loughton, Essex.

## Free French in UK

*From the Editor of the* Army Quarterly and Defence Journal

Sir, All will agree with the charming tribute paid by Madame Margaret de Fonbrune (June 12) to the Free French of 50 years ago. The indomitable and sometimes infuriating pride of de Gaulle was ever an inspiration.

Happily, many others came here to help us that golden summer of 1940. There were the Poles and the Czechs who flew with near-lunatic brilliance in the autumn fights against the German bombers in the Battle of Britain.

Even the young men came: one Czech, just turned 17, landed in his French uniform with an ancient rifle. Like so many he did not speak a word of English, yet he was in Normandy four years later with his British infantry battalion, was commissioned in the field, and went on to win the Military Cross for bravery.

Such men arrived in the June and July from all over Europe, the old dominions, and the colonies. We were never alone; we were greatly heartened and strengthened by their company.

Yours faithfully,
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*Army Quarterly and Defence Journal*,
1 West Street, Tavistock, Devon.

## Stamp design

*From Mr Arthur Birt*

Sir, When Sir Rowland Hill introduced the penny post (the operative word was penny) in 1840, there was no need to indicate the country of origin on the stamps, as Britain was the pioneer in the field. The royal effigy sufficed, accompanied by the simple word: Postage.

Now that so many pictorial stamps are being issued, would it perhaps be possible to mention on them, albeit diffidently, the country of origin: UK?

This would mean that designers of the pictorial issues would no longer have, willy nilly, to fit in the effigy.

Yours faithfully,
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## Challenges for the next archbishop

*From Mr Charles Hunter*

Sir, Dr Leonard's article (June 15), in which he discusses the "crisis of authority" facing the Anglican Communion, confirms my growing suspicion that the pessimism of leading Anglo-Catholics, together with their readiness to threaten schism, is undermining the tolerant tradition of our nation's Church.

The disputes between the catholic and protestant persuasions within the Church of England should surely be conducted within the spirit of Christian brotherhood, and in the liberal tradition of Britain's reformed catholicism. The Church is a living entity, not to be frozen into any form of factionalism or fundamentalism, from either persuasion.

If Dr Leonard is correct about a "crisis of authority", it would seem that the only course for catholics within the Church of England is to join the Church of Rome. However, I prefer the disputatious atmosphere of our nation's Church, and hope that we may all argue and fight in love and brotherhood, in the optimism that is from Christ.

I do not believe there is a crisis in the Church – it is merely in the minds of men.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES HUNTER,
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Erasmus Street, SW1.

*From Mr Andrew Taylor*

Sir, Dr Leonard cites three problems regarding the question of authority in the Church: the assumption that those who hold the traditional beliefs fail to apply them to contemporary needs, confusion over the meaning of "liberal" in a doctrinal context, and (thirdly) the Church's failure to demand strict adherence to the doctrines embodied in the 39 Articles.

There is, in actuality, only one problem, touched on in the third of Dr Leonard's problems: "Of course the gospel must be applied in terms of the demands of ordinary human life, but that can only happen if we listen to what God says to us . . ."

Was Dr Leonard one of the 400 bishops present at the 11th Lambeth Conference in 1978? If he was, he will possibly remember words of the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Donald Coggan: God forgive us. We would not admit to it; it would shock our congregations if we did. But we have stopped listening to God, and our spiritual life has died on us, though we keep up appearances and go through the motions.

For true Christians there is no crisis of authority. To quote Christ's words in Scripture: "Full authority in heaven and on earth has been committed to me" (Matthew, 28:18).

The fruitage of the Church of England will ultimately determine its fate. According to authoritative Scripture, "when a tree does not yield good fruit it is cut down and burnt" (Matthew, 7:19). As one of Jehovah's Witnesses, I submit that the next Archbishop of Canterbury will preside over the ultimate downfall of a terminally-ill institution.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW TAYLOR,
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Bucksburn, Aberdeen.

*From the Archdeacon of West Ham*

Sir, The Bishop of London writes of the crisis facing the Church because of the questioning of "necessary doctrines". One such necessary doctrine not mentioned in the article is a belief in the full humanity of Christ – "every spirit which confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God" (1 John 4:2).

In his qualifications for the next archbishop the bishop writes that he must "like Christ in his incarnate life", be a man who lives under authority; but Dr Leonard does not mention that this means being fully human and being able "to rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep" (Romans 12.15).

With the support of biblical authority many of us, therefore, want to see as archbishop someone who believes in the full humanity of Jesus Christ and someone who is seen to be fully human in his life and ministry in the world.

Yours faithfully,
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## Back pain treatment

*From Mr Michael V. Hurley*

Sir, Close analysis of the recent study by the Medical Research Council (report, June 1, early editions; letters, June 7, 13), suggesting that chiropractic treatment is of greater long-term benefit than out-patient hospital treatment for patients with low back-pain, shows that this study has fundamental design errors, undermining both the scientific and economic conclusions drawn.

Most importantly, 80 per cent of the hospital-treated group completed their course of treatment within six weeks, much earlier than those having chiropractic treatment, who may have been still having treatment after 30 weeks. The hospital-treated group of patients had attributes (i.e., depression, longer wait for treatment) that adversely affected the outcome of their treatment, and distorted the value of the results of this group.

Furthermore, the study did not show significant differences between either group in the number of patients missing work, returning for further treatment or other assessment parameters investigated. From the figures provided, the financial benefits alluded to in the study cannot be justified.

In my opinion, many aspects of both orthodox and alternative therapies are empirical and unevaluated. Contrary to press reports, this study did not prove that chiropractic treatment is better in effectiveness or value for money than hospital treatment. In fact the majority of measurements made revealed no difference between the two forms of treatment.

Yours faithfully,
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## Opencast mines

*From the Managing Director, Opencast Executive, British Coal Corporation*

Sir, Bronwen Jones's article (June 11) refers to the belief that there are health problems related to opencast coal mining.

In June, 1989, this belief was put to the test at a public inquiry into an opencast site at Derlwyn in South Wales, which had been reopened to examine allegations by local general practitioners that dust from opencast coal mining was related to an increase in health problems in the local community. The Institute of Occupational Medicine advised that there was no evidence of a link between coal dust and the diseases listed by the doctors.

The Secretary of State for Wales had, in August, 1988, commissioned the Director of the Epidemiology Research Unit of the Medical Research Council, Cardiff, to report on the allegations. He found that there was no firm basis for them.

When the public inquiry reopened, the inspector, who was assisted by the Head of Epidemiology and Social Oncology Department, Manchester University, concluded that there was not sufficient evidence of harm arising from the opencast coal operations to justify turning down the appeal on the grounds of likely damage to the health of local residents.

Granting planning permission for the Derlwyn site, the secretary of state recorded that none of the matters raised at the inquiry, in relation to health effects of coal dust in the atmosphere on the local population, warranted further investigations.

Yours faithfully,
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## Joys to recall

*From Sir Paul Osmond*

Sir, As we mourn the passing of Leonard Sachs and rejoice in the honour bestowed on Sir Peter Ustinov, let us get our facts straight. The Players' Theatre was not founded "under the railway arches at Charing Cross" (obituary, June 16), but only moved there many years later. The Players started in 43 King Street, Covent Garden, and the Late Joys sprang from it towards the end of 1937. The Blitz led to a move to the basement of 13 Albemarle Street, a safe enough location for actors and audience to stay all night if they wished.

Whether one worked in wartime London or occasionally appeared there on leave, the Players was a special and joyous resort, and Leonard, even during his temporary departure as Gunner Sachs, was recognised as its moving spirit.

Yours faithfully,
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Bromley, Kent.

## Justice and truth

*From Professor Emeritus E. Hall Williams and Professor L. Leigh*

Sir, Ludovic Kennedy (June 5) shares the conclusion reached by P. A. J. Waddington (article, May 24) that England and Wales should go over to the inquisitorial system of criminal justice widely practised on the Continent of Europe. It is claimed that our adversarial system too closely resembles a game in which each side feels it has to win, instead of having as its object finding the truth.

This is to ignore the fact that many lawyers and others working in these other systems would dearly like to see adopted certain features of the English system of criminal justice, and in particular its speedy character. Not all continental lawyers would wish to continue to forgo, in practice albeit not in theory, the right to silence, and to allow the judges to interrogate witnesses. The adoption of these features of the continental system would be to replace one system with all its weaknesses for another with different and possibly serious drawbacks.

When we carried out a detailed study of three continental systems of criminal justice, we concluded that to import alien practices and try and graft them on to our system would be undesirable and impractical, but there were certain features, such as the openness of the prosecution files to the defence lawyers and the early access to information and evidence in the hands of the prosecution, which helped to damp down conflict and might result in less of a "game" being played and more concern with the ends of justice.

Happily, there have been some changes here in respect of pre-trial consultation, and further progress may be expected as the Crown Prosecution Service acquires the confidence of the legal profession and the police and the public.

Yours faithfully,
ERYL HALL WILLIAMS,
LEONARD LEIGH,
The London School of Economics and Political Science,
Law Department,
Houghton Street, WC2.
June 11.

## Benefits of new nature bodies

*From Professor Sir Fred Holliday, FRSE, and others*

Sir, As chairmen-designate of the new bodies concerned with nature conservation proposed in part VII of the Environmental Protection Bill we wish to comment on the views expressed by the Trade Union Side spokesmen for the three Nature Conservancy Councils (June 19).

We believe that there are positive gains to be made from the new arrangements. Among those are that any extra resources made available to nature conservation will be put to very good use. Extra posts devoted to conservation work in England, Scotland and Wales will speed up decision-taking and help maintain the quality of the work. Such extra posts will not result in unnecessary duplication of work but in the necessary expansion and extension of it.

A further advantage is that when four chairmen consider a matter to be of major UK concern, then the secretary of state is likely to listen and take notice. There will be also opportunities to engage even greater local support for nature conservation if issues and cases are seen as being considered as close to the point of action as possible.

Whilst government amendments that will define our offices and the scope of our activities are not yet available, the Bill is assured of a thorough debate in the House of Lords and no one need fear that it will reach the statute book without the most careful consideration.

The Bill provides an opportunity to improve the delivery of certain aspects of nature conservation under the 1981 Act. That opportunity will be lost if part VII of the Bill is abandoned.

Yours faithfully,
FRED HOLLIDAY (chairman-designate, Joint Coordinating Committee, Councils for Nature Conservation),
CRANBROOK (chairman-designate, Nature Conservancy Council for England),
MICHAEL GRIFFITH (chairman-designate, Countryside Council for Wales),
MAGNUS MAGNUSSON (chairman-designate, Nature Conservancy Council for Scotland),
Old Shire Hall,
Durham.
June 20.

## Questions of style

*From Mr Peter A. Cox, FEng*

Sir, I was sorry to read ("A change of style to suit the times", June 12) that your new style guide will discourage the use of capitals. Far from breaking "the flow of the eye across a sentence and down a column of type", as you state, capitals add interest to what would otherwise be featureless blocks of text. They assist comprehension and make it easier to locate a phrase when one needs to reread. With a little care your writers should be able to avoid the "grey areas" to which you refer.

The guide should reflect the attitude of achievement and distinctness essential for progress rather than the discredited uniformity promoted in recent years. Capitals help to do this.

Yours faithfully,
P. A. COX,
18 Ranmore Avenue,
Croydon, Surrey.

*From Mr Geoffrey H. Lloyd*

Sir, Your article was a wide-ranging canter over a number of irritations. What was also of interest was what you did not say: there was, for example, no reference to the hoary subject of split infinitives. Perhaps this is one point on which you would be prepared to compromise. I would hope so, as rigid adherence to unsplit infinitives sometimes results in awkwardness.

What I am less hopeful about is the ability of younger generations to achieve the standards you seek. Young people joining me from school and university not only leave much to be desired in their written skills but few seem to have a real interest in words. The emphasis in our schools on the development of ideas is, of course, desirable, but such ideas are the better for their being contained in a flowing and readable style which demonstrates a real grasp of sentence construction and choice of vocabulary.

Yours sincerely,
GEOFFREY H. LLOYD
(Area Manager),
Royal Insurance (UK) Ltd.,
North London Area Branch,
51 Clarendon Road,
Watford, Hertfordshire.

*From Mr J. A. Thornton*

Sir, As well as being in entire agreement with your correspondent, Mr R. M. A. Rice (June 15), concerning the restoration of the hyphen in adjectives built up from two words, I would also plead against those who use hyphens indiscriminately without understanding the purpose of the hyphen.

A recent City recruitment advertisement asking for "Off-balance sheet marketeers" conjures up a picture of a group of linen salesmen staggering around the City. Maybe a liquid lunch is an essential in that business.

Yours faithfully,
J. A. THORNTON,
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Prince of Wales Drive, SW11.

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# COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
June 22: The Queen, with the Duke of Edinburgh, honoured Ascot Races with her presence today.

Mr Frederick Mitchell and Mr John Taylor were received by The Queen when her Majesty decorated them with the Royal Victorian Medal (Gold).

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 22: The Prince Edward this evening attended a dinner in Cathedral Close, Chichester to mark the 10th Anniversary of the Chichester Cathedral Trust.

His Royal Highness, attended by Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer, was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for West Sussex (The Duke of Richmond and Gordon).

June 22: This morning the Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, visited the ICI Paints Factory, Wexham Road, Slough, and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the Royal County of Berkshire (Mr John Henderson).

Mrs Andrew Feilden was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 22: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, Parachute Regiment, attended a Service of Thanksgiving on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Raising of Airborne Forces, in St Paul's Cathedral, EC4.

Subsequently His Royal Highness took a salute of present and past members of the Parachute Regiment and Airborne Forces.

Commander Alistair Watson RN and Colonel John Winter were in attendance.

The Prince of Wales received Signora Maria Pia Fanfani and HE Signor Boris Biancheri.

His Royal Highness, President, attended the Re-union of the HMS Kelly Association at the Royal Over-Seas League, St James's Street, SW1.

Commander Alistair Watson RN was in attendance.

The Princess of Wales, Patron, Turning Point, visited the Bristol Drugs Project, 18 Guiney Street, Redcliffe, Bristol.

Subsequently Her Royal Highness, Patron, British Lung Foundation, visited the Bath Spa Hotel, Bath, to attend the completion of a National No-Smoking campaign and fund-raising promotion.

The Princess of Wales was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Avon (Sir John Wills, Bt).

Miss Alexandra Loyd and Lieutenant-Commander Patrick Jephson RN were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 22: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the Royal Scottish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, this afternoon visited the Society's Centre at Strathaven, Lanarkshire.

Her Royal Highness was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Lanarkshire (Colonel The Lord Clydesmuir).

Lady Aird was in attendance.

## Birthdays

TODAY: Mr S.M. Andrews, headmaster, Clifton College, 58; Lord Bruntisfield, 91; the Very Rev Professor Henry Chadwick, Master, Peterhouse, Cambridge, 70; Sir David Crouch, former MP, 71; Sir Oswald Davies, former chairman, AMEC, 70; Mr S.G. Errington, former chairman, Mercantile Credit Company, 61; the Most Rev Dr John Habgood, Archbishop of York, 63; Mr Julian Hipwood, polo player, 44; Sir Leonard Hutton, cricketer, 74; Lord Irvine of Lairg, QC, 50; Miss Miriam Karlin, actress, 65; Miss Margaret Lane, novelist, 83; Admiral Sir Horace Law, 79; Mr Dennis Lennon, designer, 72; Mrs Patricia McLaughlin, former MP, 74; Professor J.E. Meade, political economist, 83; Mr Justice Millett, 58; Lord Newall, 60; Mr John Prebble, writer, 75; Professor Martin Rees, astronomer, 48; Professor Isaac Schapera, anthropologist, 85, Professor Lord Soulsby of Swaffham Prior, 64; the Right Rev K.N. Sutton, Bishop of Lichfield, 56; Mr Anthony Thwaite, poet, 60; Admiral Sir Francis Turner, 78; Miss Irene Worth, actress, 74.

TOMORROW: Sir Anthony Barrowclough, QC, former Ombudsman, 66; Sir Bernard Braine, MP, 76; Mr Garfield Davies, trade unionist, 55; Mr Juan Fangio, racing driver, 79; Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, astronomer, 75; Sir Edward Jackson, diplomat, 65; Mr Brian Johnston, cricket commentator, 78; Lord Palmer, 74; Lord Penney, OM, 81; Lieutenant-General Sir William Pike, former Chief Commander, St John Ambulance, 85; Professor John Postgate, microbiologist, 68; Sir John Whitford, former High Court judge, 77.

## John Beattie

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of John Beattie will be held in St Cross Church, Oxford, at 2.30pm on Saturday, July 7, 1990.

## Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Giovanni Vico, philosopher, Naples, 1668; Anna Akhmatova, poet, Bolshoi Fontan, Ukraine, 1889; Duke of Windsor, Edward VIII, reigned Jan 20 to Dec 11, 1936, White Lodge, Richmond Park, 1894.

DEATHS: Pedro de Mendoza, explorer, founder of Buenos Aires, at sea in the Atlantic, 1537; Mark Akenside, poet and physician, London, 1770; Sir James Hall, geologist, Edinburgh, 1832; James Mill, Utilitarian philosopher, London, 1836; Lady Hester Stanhope, traveller, Djouni, Mount Lebanon, 1839; Cecil James Sharp, musician, founder of the English Folk Dance Society, London, 1924.

Victory of Robert Clive at Plassey (Bengal) over forces of Surajah Dowlah, 1757.

## Royal engagements

TODAY: The Princess Royal will open Faslane Fayre, Helensburgh, at 1.30; and will attend the International One Design World Championship on the Clyde at 2.

TOMORROW: The Duke of Gloucester, as Colonel-in-Chief of The Gloucestershire Regiment, will open the regimental museum in Gloucester at 4.50.

## Memorial service

**Mr William McLaren Howard, QC**

A memorial service for Mr William McLaren Howard, QC, was held on Thursday in the Chapel of Lincoln's Inn. The Rev Felix V.A. Boyse officiated. Lord Justice Parker, Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn, read the lesson and Lord Oliver of Aylmerton gave an address. Among those present were:

Mrs Howard (widow), Mr William Howard (son), Miss Charlotte Howard (daughter), Mr and Mrs John Howard (brother and sister-in-law), Mrs Stanley Howard (sister-in-law), Mr and Mrs A Moseley, Miss Mary Howard, Mr Peter Howard, Miss Elizabeth Howard, Rear-Admiral Donald Titford, Mr and Mrs Grahame Titford, Miss Suzanne Jarvis, Viscount and Viscountess Colville, Lord Wigoder, QC, and Lady Wigoder, Lord Dunboyne, Lord Carlisle of Bucklow, QC, Lady Oliver of Aylmerton, Lord Justice Balcombe, Sir Robert Megarry, Sir Denys Buckley, Lord Justice Slade, Sir David Croom-Johnson, the Hon Laura Cobb, the Hon Tom Cobb, His Honour Sir Harold Cassel, QC, Mr Justice Michael Davies, Mr Justice and Lady Mervyn Davies, Sir Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, Mr Justice Harman, Mr Justice Knox, Mr Justice Tucker, Mr Justice Warner, Mr Justice Michael Wright, Vice-Admiral Sir Anthony Tippet, Mr Justice and Lady Mantell.

Judge Bromley, QC, Judge and Mrs Cox, Judge Richard Lowry, QC, and Judge Nina Lowry, Judge Petre, Judge and Mrs Morton, Judge Thorpe, Mr James Stuart-Smith, QC (Judge Advocate General), Judge Waley, QC (Judge Advocate of the Fleet), Captain Sean Lyons (Chief Naval Judge Advocate), Commander W Burnett, USN (Fleet Judge Advocate, Naval Forces Europe), Captain Jonathan Langdon (representing C-in-C Naval Home Command), Master McKenzie (Registrar of Criminal Appeals), Mr Christopher Murray (Kingsley Napley), Mr Brian Taylor (Master, Coopers' Company).

# OBITUARIES

# ELIZABETH HARWOOD

*Elizabeth Harwood, the English lyric soprano, died early yesterday aged 52, after a long struggle against cancer. She was born on May 27, 1938.*

ELIZABETH Harwood was one of the best known and most appealing English sopranos of the 1960s and 1970s. On stage she exuded radiance, both through her voice and through her blonde hair and very English good looks. She performed with practically all the leading British opera companies, specialising in lyric and coloratura roles and in Mozart. She was one of the select group of British singers of the time to be chosen for leading parts at the Salzburg Festival, where she appeared regularly during the early 1970s.

She was born outside Kettering, but the family soon moved to Yorkshire and that was the county to which she expressed total loyalty. If Elizabeth Harwood, with her bubbly manner, had not taken so easily to the opera stage she could have had a substantial career in the oratorios Yorkshire loves so much. Her parents were both musical as were her grandparents before them. Her mother, a professional soprano, taught her singing and by the time she was 22 Elizabeth Harwood had won the Kathleen Ferrier memorial prize and three years later was a joint winner of the international Verdi competition in Busseto.

Frederick Cox at the Royal College of Music in Manchester, who shaped many young singers, was the man who persuaded her to go into opera and his faith was rewarded. Elizabeth Harwood joined the Sadler's Wells Opera in 1962 and quickly became first choice soprano in roles like Constanze (*Entführung*) and Adèle (*Le Comte Ory*). Here Colin Davis was one of the leading influences on a soprano who looked well on stage and sang with a sense of fun.

When Davis left the Wells Elizabeth Harwood thought it time to move on and made her Covent Garden debut (as the Fiakermilli in *Arabella*) in 1967. A number of other coloratura parts, such as Gilda (*Rigoletto*) followed. Her radiant stage appearance was seen to good effect in the high lyrical role of Bella (*The Midsummer Marriage*), one of her infrequent excursions into contemporary opera, and she went on to record Tippett's piece with Sir Colin Davis. One of her biggest successes, again with Davis, was as Teresa in Berlioz's *Benvenuto Cellini*, which Covent Garden took to La Scala.

A crucial overseas engagement was as Donna Elvira in the Aix Festival *Don Giovanni* of 1969. Her success in this got to the ears of Herbert von Karajan and led to her first appearances at the Salzburg Festival. These were in 1970 when she shared the roles of both Fiordiligi (*Così fan tutte*) and Constanze (*Entführung*) with Annaliese Rothenberger. Karajan conducted neither opera himself, but had earmarked Harwood as one of "his" sopranos. She was soon to sing the Countess for him in *Figaro*.

Under Karajan's direction she performed two of her most important opera roles. He clearly saw her as Rothenberger's successor and cast her, controversially, in the title role of *The Merry Widow* for Deutsche Grammophon. Those who considered Hanna Glawari pure Austro-German property expressed mild outrage. Musetta in his *Bohème* (with Freni and Pavarotti) was reckoned much more proper.

Elizabeth Harwood was probably at the height of powers during this period, when she was in her mid-thirties. She had grown out of the pure coloratura repertory – in 1965 she had toured Australia, alternating with Joan Sutherland as Lucia di Lammermoor and Amina (*La sonnambula*), no easy task. She was beginning to consider heavier and more demanding roles, such as *La traviata*. But her health was not always reliable; despite her international renown she was often not at her best on first nights and throat infections sometimes forced her to cancel performances.

In the mid-1970s Elizabeth Harwood began to develop the concert and recital side of her career and she was more likely to be heard in Lieder at the Queen Elizabeth Hall and the Wigmore Hall than at Covent Garden. By then her memorable partnership with Janet Baker during the early days of Scottish opera in *Così* and *Rosenkavalier* seemed far, far away. Even so her time on stage had been too short.

Towards the end of her life Elizabeth Harwood spent a great deal of time encouraging amateur musicians, especially children. She relished the musical evenings in her own home, some pre-arranged and others impromptu. At the end of dinner she would often sit at the piano and persuade others to join with her in something, perhaps, from *Figaro*. But her greatest pleasure now was probably to act as a mother-figure, taking those who were beginning to show musical talent under her wing.

She was married to the businessman Julian Royle; there is one son of the marriage.

# CANON GEOFFREY ROGERS

*Canon Geoffrey Rogers, former warden of the Church of England community of Lee Abbey, died on June 21 aged 86. He was born on April 17, 1904.*

THE early part of Geoffrey Rogers's ministry in the church was spent mainly as a missionary in Iran. He opted to go there when he was only 25. But by that age he had already run a parish in Gravesend following his ordination after a strictly Cambridge education, The Perse School, St Catharine's College and Ridley Hall. But he really made his mark as warden of the newly established Church of England community of Lee Abbey in north Devon.

Founded in 1945, Lee Abbey was set up to embody the monastic ideals of poverty, chastity and obedience in the setting of the 20th-century and in the Anglican tradition. A former preparatory school had been bought near Lynton in north Devon. Here, a community of up to 80 people gathered and lived and worked together. They were given their keep and paid a very small salary. In return they were all assigned work – some on the farm, some in the garden, some doing the domestic work in the house, some to welcome and teach the visitors. Throughout the year those visitors came partly for a holiday and rest, partly for the deepening of their spiritual lives.

Geoffrey Rogers was chosen to be the second warden of this community. For 14 years he guided and rooted the community in regular prayer and worship. Though predominately evangelical in its impact, Lee Abbey received visitors of varying persuasions: Anglo-Catholics, for example, were cared for by the chaplain, Father Jack Winslow, previously a member of an Indian ashram.

Geoffrey Rogers ruled the community with love and discipline – the equivalent of a father or mother superior. He was the acknowledged head who set the tone and administered the rules. After 14 years in this work, in which he helped to establish the community to play an important part in the life of the whole Church of England, he moved to the diocese of Coventry where he was appointed diocesan missioner and helped to train the people of the diocese following the consecration of the cathedral.

His task there was to equip the people to a deep consecration of their lives. This he did by solid teaching given in quiet conferences, services and seminars. He worked indefatigably to this end and many people today ownthe powerful influence of his example and teaching. After a few years as canon missioner in Coventry he went into retirement, but an active one. He was still called upon to give pastoral advice and to exercise the ministry of healing. For a time he acted as a rural dean, and he spoke and wrote prolifically.

# DAME EVA TURNER

***Monica Gough writes:***

I WOULD like to add my tribute to the great soprano, Dame Eva Turner (obituary June 18). During the 1930s I was a member of the opera ballet, both at Covent Garden and on tour. In the spring of 1936, the company went on tour to Glasgow and Edinburgh, and the repertoire included Weber's *Der Freischütz*.

At a matinée at the Theatre Royal, Glasgow, Eva Turner sang the role of Agathe at short notice, as the soprano down to sing was indisposed. During the first act a telegram was delivered to Miss Turner's dressing room, saying that her beloved father had died suddenly. The sad news spread round the company, and I can remember we ballet girls wondering what would happen.

But being the true professional she was, she went on after the interval and sang the demanding aria "Leise, Leise" with not a tremor in her splendid voice. In subsequent performances of the opera, she was equally controlled, a splendid example to the younger members of the company.

## Luncheon

**Corporation of London**

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the sheriffs and their ladies, attended a luncheon given by the Corporation of London at Guildhall yesterday to mark the golden jubilee of The Parachute Regiment and Airborne Forces. Among others present were:

The Bishop of London, the Bishop of Peterborough, Lady Soames, the Secretary of State for Defence, the Chief of the Defence Staff and Lady Craig, General Sir Geoffrey and Lady Howlett, the Chief of the New Zealand Defence Staff and Mrs Meldrum, serving and retired members of Airborne Forces and other services, Members of Parliament, representatives of city livery companies, aldermen, common councilmen and officers of the Corporation of London.

## Reception

**Order of St John**

Lord Grey of Naunton, Lord Prior of the Order of St John, was host at a reception held at St John's Gate, Clerkenwell, last night.

## Dinners

**Comins & Co**

His Honour Judge Sir James Miskin, QC, Recorder of London, was guest of honour last night at the centenary dinner of Comins & Co Chartered Accountants held in the Crypt of Guildhall, London, EC2. Mr Jock Worsley, past-president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, also spoke and proposed a toast to "The Firm". Mr Rex Barrett, senior partner, presided.

**The Chichester Cathedral Trust**

His Royal Highness The Prince Edward attended a dinner held last night in the gardens of the Bishop's Palace, Chichester, to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the Chichester Cathedral Trust. Those present included: Admiral Sir Lindsay Bryson, Patron, the Duke of Richmond, chairman, trustees and members of the advisory council.

**Royal College of Radiologists**

Dr J.O.M.C. Craig, president of the Royal College of Radiologists, Mrs Craig and members of the Faculty Board of Radiotherapy and Oncology gave a dinner at the college last night to mark the retirement of Dr T.D. Bates as vice-president of the board.

## Service reception

**The Royal Hampshire Regiment**

The Mayor of Winchester attended a reception given by The Royal Hampshire Regiment at Serle's House, Winchester, yesterday. Brigadier and Mrs R.G. Long received the guests.

## Service dinner

**HMS Broadsword**

Captain W.R. Canning was the guest of honour at the reunion dinner of the 1982 Wardroom of HMS Broadsword (The Bomb Alley Veterans) held on board HMS Broadsword last night. Commander D.J.M. Mowlan presided.

## Appointments in the Forces

**The Army**

COLONEL: R N Lennox to MOD, 18.6.90.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL: W D Cook, RA, to be CO 1 RHA, 19.6.90; M J T Hewetson, AAC, to MOD, 18.6.90; T E M Richardson, R Signals, to be Comd Queen's Gurkha Signal Regt, 19.6.90; M C A Smith, RCT, to be CO 8 Regt RCT, 20.6.90; A R Freer, Para, to Staff College, 18.6.90.

RETIREMENTS

BRIGADIER: F A L Alstead, late KOSB, 19.6.90; T J Bremridge, late RA, 19.6.90.

COLONEL: J A N R Boyle, late RAOC, 28.6.90.

**Royal Air Force**

Air Vice-Marshal N H Mills to be Surgeon General in October 1990, in the rank of Air Marshal, in succession to Surgeon Vice Admiral Sir Godfrey Milton-Thompson.

Air Vice-Marshal A F C Hunter to be Commander British Forces Cyprus and Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus, in October 1990 in succession to Major General J P W Friedberger.

WING COMMANDER: D D Woodman to MOD London; A N Mitchell to HQ RAF Germany; M A Gaynor to Budapest; I R Prior to HQ AFFCE.

## Church news

Appointments

The Rev James Saxton, curate, St John's in the Moor Allerton team, diocese of Ripon, to be curate, Knaresborough, same diocese.

The Rev Trevor H Shannon, priest-in-charge, St Margaret of Antioch, Great Storo, diocese of Chelmsford, to be also rural dean of Redbridge.

The Rev Paul Watson, curate, Meltham Mills, diocese of Wakefield, to be team vicar, Borehamwood, St Michael, diocese of St Albans.

The Rev Jim Woodward, domestic chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford, to be chaplain/lecturer at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, diocese of Birmingham.

## University news

**Oxford**

PEMBROKE COLLEGE

Elections:

To the E P Abraham Fellowship in Zoology (from August 1): Alejandro Kacelnik, Licenciado en Ciencias Biologicas (Buenos Aires), D Phil (Oxford).

To an official fellowship in Physics (from October 1): Philip Charles Kinsella, BA (Oxford), PhD (Cambridge).

To an official fellowship in modern languages (French) (from October 1): Timothy John Farrant, MA, DPhil (Oxford).

To an Official Fellowship in Modern Languages (Italian) (from October 1): Robert Samuel Clive Gordon, BA (Oxford).

**Cambridge**

JESUS COLLEGE

Elected into a fellowship in class IV for three years from October 1: John Cornwell.

**Edinburgh**

Appointments

Dr Yasir Suleiman to the Iraq Chair of Arabic and Islamic Studies; Prof Bonnie McDougall to the newly created Chair of Chinese; Prof Charles Jones to the Forbes Chair of English Language; Dr Dietrich Scheunemann to the Chair of German; Dr Edwin Williamson to the Chair of Hispanic Studies; Prof John Dawson to the Chair of Marketing.

Personal chairs

Barry Barnes, a reader and director of the Science Studies Unit, to a Chair in Sociology; Prof Alan Bundy, professorial fellow in the Department of Artificial Intelligence, becomes Professor of Automated Reasoning; Prof Peter Denyer, holder of the Advent Chair of Integrated Electronics, becomes Professor of Integrated Electronics; Dr David Saunders, Reader in the Department of Zoology, becomes Professor of Insect Physiology; Dr John Triseliotis, Director of Social Work Education in the Department of Social Policy and Social Work, becomes Professor of Social Work.

**Newcastle upon Tyne**

Dr John Batchelor to be Joseph Cowen Professor of English Literature from October 1; Prof Julian E Besag to be Professor of Statistics from October 1; Dr Ian N Ferrier to be second Professor of Psychiatry from September 1; Dr Alan Jack to be Professor of Engineering from October 1; Mr Ian Nicol to be Director of Finance from May 7; Dr Robert Wilkinson to a Personal Professorship in Renal Medicine from August 1 1989.

The following members of staff have been appointed to senior lectureships from August 1.

Dr B Angus (pathology); Mr B F Babington (English literature); Dr J R Backhurst (chemical and process engineering); Dr I L Cooper (chemistry); Dr T F Cox (mathematics and statistics); Dr P J Dawson (agricultural economics and food marketing); Dr R W Fiddian (Spanish and Latin American studies); W Hills (marine technology); Dr S D Lloyd (history); Dr J P Pearson (physiological sciences); Mrs J A Walker (social policy); Mr D P G Westgate (education).

## University of Bristol

The 1990 annual general meeting of convocation, at which the election of representatives of convocation on court will take place, will be held on Saturday, July 21, 1990, at 11am in the Senate Room, Senate House, Tyndall Avenue, Bristol, BS8 1TH. All graduates of the university are welcome to attend. *Further information and the current convocation booklet may be obtained from Dr M.J. Crossley Evans, the Assistant Secretary of Convocation, University of Bristol, Senate House, Bristol BS8 1TH.*

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr R.P. Ashford and Miss H.J. Robinson**

The engagement is announced between Richard Peter, only son of Mr and Mrs Peter Ashford, of Farnham, Surrey, and Helen Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David Robinson, of Staines, Middlesex.

**Mr N. Aspinall and Miss M.C. O'Brien**

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs Norman Aspinall, of Park House, Whaley Bridge, Derbyshire, and Margaret Catherine, second daughter of Mr James O'Brien and of the late Mrs Marlene O'Brien, of The Old Vicarage, Swaffham, Norfolk.

**Mr S.J.A. Ball and Miss C.L. Stewart**

The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs James Ball, of Oxford, and Catriona, eldest daughter of Mr Andrew Stewart, of Fakenham, Norfolk, and Mrs Patricia Bayne, of Paston Hall, Norfolk.

**Mr T.P. Burgess and Miss E.S. Davis**

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Timothy Peter Burgess, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Elizabeth Susan Davis, of Sevenoaks. The marriage will take place at St Nicholas Church, Sevenoaks, on Saturday, July 21, 1990.

**Mr C.G. Button and Miss L.M. Heilbron**

The engagement is announced between Charles Gareth, second son of Mr and Mrs John Button, of Guernsey, and Lesley Marjorie, youngest daughter of Mr David Heilbron, of Glasgow, and the late Mrs Heilbron.

**Mr A.M. Dalton and Dr R.S. Hodgson**

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R.G. Dalton, of Kempston, Bedfordshire, and Ruth, daughter of Mr Frank Hodgson, of Kew, Surrey, and Dr Shona Hodgson, of Chiswick, London.

**Mr G.A.K. White and Miss C.A. Wheldon**

The engagement is announced between Gerrard Anthony Kerr White, of London, and Caroline Anne Wheldon, of North Ferriby, East Yorkshire.

**Mr M.R.G. Dixon and Miss C. Dodds**

The engagement is announced between Mark, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G.J. Dixon, of Darras Hall, Newcastle upon Tyne, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Dodds, of Tunstall, Sunderland.

**Mr S.B. Hunter and Miss G.J. Jefferis**

The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of the late Mr G.N. Hunter and of Mrs Hunter, of Leeds, Yorkshire, and Gina, daughter of Mr J.F. Jefferis, MBE, and Mrs Jefferis, of Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.

**Mr I.E. Kelly and Miss P.M. Stokes**

The engagement is announced between Ian Edward, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Robert Edward Kelly, of Cherry Burton, Beverley, North Humberside, and Philippa Margaret, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Henry Stokes, of Ridley House, Redgrave, Suffolk.

**Mr C.B. Lewis and Miss L.J. Gergely**

The engagement is announced between Calum Blair, only son of Mr and Mrs A.D. Lewis, of Drumfries, and Laura Jane, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs S. Gergely, of Coventry.

**Mr B.P.J. O'Connor and Miss F.A. Cowan**

The engagement is announced between Benedict, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Michael O'Connor, of Stoneygate, Leicester, and Fiona, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Alistair Cowan, of Umwinsidale, Zimbabwe.

**Dr J.A. Rutter and Miss C.C. Bellman**

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs F.J. Rutter, of Starcross, Exeter, Devon, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.D. Bellman, of Monkton Elm, West Monkton, Taunton, formerly of Kenya.

**Mr I. Tegerdine and Miss A.C. Rowley**

The engagement is announced between Ian, only son of Mr and Mrs J.W. Tegerdine, Moulton Seas End, Lincolnshire, and Alison Clare, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs D.W. Rowley, of Worthing, Sussex.

**Mr S.P. Kimberley and Miss A.C. Rosslyn Smith**

The engagement is announced between Simon Patrick, younger son of Lieutenant-Colonel Derek Kimberley and Mrs Barbara Kimberley, of Northampton, and Amanda Clare, only daughter of Terence and Kate Rosslyn Smith, of Tisbury, Wiltshire.

**Mr P.G. Schulte and Miss A.B.C. Currie**

The engagement is announced between Paul, eldest son of Mr Peter Schulte and of the late Mrs Schulte, of Southsea, Hampshire, and Alison, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Douglas Currie, of Crewe, Cheshire.

**Mr E.M. Stapylton-Smith and Miss A.M. Kwitney**

The engagement is announced between Mark Stapylton-Smith, formerly of London and East Sussex, now of Manhattan, New York, and Alisa Kwitney, also of Manhattan.

**Mr N.D.J.S. Whitehead and Miss C.A. Edwards**

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, eldest son of Captain and Mrs David Whitehead, of Swanmore, Hampshire, and Charlotte, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Edwards, of Stourton, Staffordshire.

## Marriages

**Mr D.C. Cape and Miss S.J. Odell**

The marriage took place on June 21, of Douglas, eldest son of Dr and Mrs J.C. Cape, of Southport, Merseyside, and Sue, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.W. Odell, of Ham Common, Surrey.

**Mr W.M.O. Nelson and Miss C.P.J. Luce**

The marriage took place on Sunday, June 17, at St Stephen's Church, Sparsholt, between Mr Martin Nelson, son of Mr Edmund Nelson, of Selsey, and the late Mrs Ruth Nelson, and Miss Philippa Luce, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Luce, of Winchester. Canon William Langdon officiated.

The bride was attended by Miss Julia Paul. Mr Jamie Mill was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

# Services tomorrow: second Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC: 9.30 S Euch: 9.30 M: 11 S Euch. Coronation Te Deum (Walton), When to Our Saviour Christ (Wagner). Rev P G C Brett: 3.15 E, Responses (Tomkins), Kelly in C. This is the record of John (Gibbons). Sermon and Compline, Rev Dr E R Norman.

YORK MINSTER: 8, 8.45 HC: 9 Cyclists' Service: 10 S Euch. Mass for four voices (Byrd), O taste and see (Vaughan Williams). Mr P Cunningham: 11.30 M, Responses (Ayleward), Stanford in B flat: 4 E, Bairstow in D. This is the record of John (Gibbons). Very Rev J Southgate.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC: 10.30 M, Responses (Tomkins), Britten in C, Britten in E. Ven G Cassidy: 11.30 HC. Missa Bella Amfitrit' altera (Lassus), Ubi caritas (Duruflé): 3.15 E. The Edington Service (Ives), Vox dicentis clama (Naylor). Rev H Palmer.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC: 10 M, Responses (Neary), Benedicite Short Service (Byrd). This is the record of John (Gibbons). Canon A Harvey: 11.15 Abbey Euch. Missa Papae Marcelli (Palestrina). Prepare ye the way (Wise), Canon C Semper: 3 E, Gray in F minor. Vox dicentis (Naylor). Rev D Shaw: 5.45 organ recital: 6.30 ES. Rev R Holloway.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC: 11 Euch. Missa Laudate Dominum (Lassus), Ubi Caritas (Duruflé), Canon P Price: 3 E. Wood in F. This is the record of John (Gibbons). Canon P Penwarden.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 10.30 SM. Mass in G major (Poulenc), Exsultate Deo (Palestrina), Ubi Caritas (Mawby); 12, 5.30, 7; 2.30 organ recital; 3.30 V & B. Magnificat sexti toni (Victoria), Vox clamantis in deserto (Esquivel).

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 10 LM, 11.30 HM (Haydn Mass, St John of God).

GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DIVINE WISDOM, Moscow Rd, W2: 9.30 M: 11 Divine Liturgy.

RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD, Ennismore Gdns, SW7: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.

SERBIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA, Lancaster Rd, W11: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.

THE CHAPEL ROYAL, St James's Palace: 8.30 HC: 11.15 S Euch. Missa Papae Marcelli (Palestrina). Canon R C Craston.

QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: 11 M, Te Deum (Holst Festival), O how glorious (Harwood). The Chaplain: 12.30 HC.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: 8.30 HC: 11 MP & HC. Blessed are the pure in heart (Davies). From all that dwell below the skies (Walmisley). The Chaplain.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 M, Now that daylight fills the skies (Stainsong), God is a spirit (Bennett), Grenadier Guards. The Chaplain: 12 HC.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: 11.30 MP. This is the record of John. Canon R Tydeman.

TOWER OF LONDON, EC3: 9.15 HC: 11 M. This is the record of John (Gibbons). The Chaplain.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street, EC4: 8.30 HC: 11.15 HC. Collegium Regale (Howells), Ubi Caritas (Duruflé). The Creed (Merbecke), Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow), Stanford in B flat. The Master.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church), WC2: 9, 12.15 HC: 11 M attended by the Airfield Construction Branch. Short Service (Weelkes), Stowell in C minor. O where shall wisdom be found (Boyce). Rev W J D Sirr.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: 8.30 HC: 11 M. Responses (Smith). Collegium Regale (Howells). Prepare ye the way (Wise). The Chaplain: 3.30 E. Responses (Rose). How beauteous are their feet (Stanford). Short Service (Gibbons). This is the record of John (Gibbons).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11 S Euch. Rev R Dixon.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret St, W1: 8, 5.15 LM: 11 HM. Mass for five voices (Byrd). This is the record of John (Gibbons). Rev P McGreary: 6 E & B. For lo I raise up (Stanford), the Vicar.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 11 Preb R Bewes: 6.30 Guest Service. Rev I Bentley.

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, Old Church St: 8, 12 HC: 10 Children's Service: 11 M, Rev P Rosthorne: 6 E, Preb C E L Thomson.

CHRIST CHURCH, Chelsea: Dedication Festival, 8 HC: 11 S Euch. Rev S Acland.

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley St: 8.15 HC: 11 S Euch. Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria). This is the record of John (Gibbons). Rev A W Marks.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Rd: 11 HC, Parish Weekend, M Coates: 6.30 ES, Parish Weekend, K Costa.

HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Rd: 8.30, 12.05 HC: 11 MP. Rev Dr M Israel.

HOLY TRINITY, Sloane St: 8.30, 12.10 HC: 10.30 S Euch. Rev K L Yates.

ST ALBAN'S, Brooke St, EC1: 9.30 SM: 11 HM. Credo messe (Mozart). Canon R Williams: 3.30 E & B: 6.30 LM.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 M & Euch. Stanford in B flat. Whitlock in G. Here O my Lord (Whitlock). Bishop C Claxton: 6.30 E. Responses (Ayleward). Howells in D. This is the record of John (Gibbons). Comfort ye And the glory of the Lord (Handel). Canon J Oates.

ST CUTHBERT'S, Philbeach Gdns SW5: 10 HC: 11 S Euch. Sumsion in F. Like as the heart desireth the water-brooks (Howells). Rev J Vine.

ST GEORGE'S, Bloomsbury, WC1: 10 Parish Communion: 6.30 E.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC: 11 S Euch. Missa Brevis in D (Mozart). Give us the wings of faith (Bullock). The Rector.

ST GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, St Giles High St, WC2: 8, 12 HC: 11 MP, Rev P J Galloway: 6.30 EP. Rev P J Galloway.

ST JAMES'S, Muswell Hill: 8 HC: 11 School Service, Rev N Parish: 6.30 Spotlight Service.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly, W1: 8.30 HC: 11 S Euch: 6.45 EP.

ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gdns, W2: 8 HC: 10.30 S Euch. Schubert in B flat. Comfort ye (Handel). Rev B Galloway: 6 E, Short Service (Morley). O Pont Caeli (Grandi), the Vicar.

ST JOHN'S, Hyde Park Crescent, W2: 8 HC: 10 Parish Euch with Sunday School. Rev R Callaghan: 6.30 Evening Worship. Rev G Ross.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, Holland Rd, W14: 10 LM: 11 SM. Fr G Bright: 6 Procession & Pontifical Benediction. Fr D Cobb.

ST JOHN THE DIVINE, Vassall Rd, SW9: 8 LM: 10 HM. Missa Collegium Regale (Howells). Like as the hart (Howells): 4 E & B.

ST JOHN'S WOOD CHURCH: 8 HC: 9.30 Parish Communion: 11 S Euch. Missa O Quam Gloriosum (Vittoria). This is the record of John (Gibbons). Assistant Bishop of Gibraltar: 6.30 E. Rev A Walker.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea: 10.30 M. Rev S Watson: 6.30 E. This is the record of John (Gibbons). Rev D Watson.

ST MARK'S, Regent's Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC: 10 Family Communion: 11 S Euch & Holy Baptism. Missa Secunda (Hassler). My Soul there is a country (Parry). Rev T Devonshire Jones.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster, SW1: 11 M, Responses (Ayleward). Ireland in F. This is the record of John (Gibbons). The Rector: 12.15 HC.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: 8 HC: 9.45 Euch. Let all the world (Vaughan Williams). O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Tomkins). The Vicar: 11.30 Visitors Service. The Vicar: 2.45 Chinese Service (EP). Rev Dr J Bennett: 5 E. Canon G Brown: 6.30 ES. Rev M Henwood.

ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington, W8: 8, 12.30 HC: 9.30 S Euch. Rev A Boddy: 11.15 M, the Vicar: 6.30 E, the Vicar.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7 LM: 11 HM. Missa Brevis in D (Mozart). Ut queant laxis (Monteverdi). Benedictus (Gibbons). Dean of St Paul's: 6.15 E & B.

ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 8 HC: 11 Euch & Confirmation. Messe Solennelle (Gounod), O Sacrum Convivium (Messaien). Bishop of Fulham. 6.30 E. Rev R McLaren.

ST MARY-LE-STRAND (WRNS Church), Strand WC2: 11 Communion, Rev E Thompson.

ST MATTHEW'S, Westminster: 8 HC: 10 S Euch. Rev M Hayes: 6 30 LM.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Sq, SW1: 8.15 HC: 11 HC. Rev J Crossley: 7 ES. The Youth Team.

ST PAUL'S, Onslow Square, SW7. 10 30 Morning Service, parish weekend. Rev N K Lee.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, SW1: 8, 9 HC: 11 S Euch. Missa Brevis in D major (Fux). Lord grant grace (Gibbons). Canon K de Berry.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Milner St, SW3: 8 HC: 11 MP. Sumsion in C. Rejoice in the Lord alway (Purcell). Rev G James: 6.30 E.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Rd, SW7: 8, 9, LM: 11 SM. Missa Simile est regnum (Lobo). Simile est regnum (Guerrero). O Lord give Thy Holy Spirit (Tallis), Fr C Colven; 6 E & B. Fr J Towers.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane, EC2: 11 SM. The Rector.

THE ANNUNCIATION, Bryanston Street, W1: 11 SM. Missa Secunda (Hassler). This is the record of John (Gibbons): 6 LM & B.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont St, SW1: 11 The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Rev W A Cairns: 3 The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Rev S Dunleavy: 6.30 Rev J H McIndoe.

CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden: 11.15 Rev K G Hughes: 6.30 Rev J M Dowswell.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick St, W1: 11 Missa honorem Sancti Joseph (Peeters). This is the record of John (Gibbons). Ave Maria (Rachmaninov).

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, Lisson Grove, St John's Wood: 10.45, Missa Cultus Toni (Kerle). Descendit Angelus (Victoria).

FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15 LM: 11 HM. Missa Alberti Magni (Pleciler). Exsultate Deo (Palestrina). Ave verum corpus (Elgar).

THE ORATORY, Brompton Rd, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Missa Brevis in D (Mozart). Dixit Dominus (Victoria). 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B. Siderum rector (Byrd).

ST MARY'S, Cadogan St, SW3: 8.30, 10, 11 Mass. Missa Sine Nomine (Palestrina). Ave Maria (Abt). O Bone Jesu (Palestrina). 12.15, 6.30.

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High St, W8: 8.30, 10, 12.30, 6.30 LM, 11.15 SM. Missa Assumpta (Palestrina). Exultate Justi (Viadana). Canticum Zachariae (Handl).

AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 11 Rev Ron F Allison.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn, EC1: 11 Rev E Waugh: 6.30 Mr N Young.

CHELSEA METHODIST CHURCH, King's Road 11 Mrs A Bird: 6 HC. Rev M Braddy.

HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCH, W1: 11 Rev P Hoar: 6.30 Rev M Rothwell.

KENSINGTON TEMPLE, (Charismatic). Notting Hill Gate, W11: 9, 11 Phil Hills: 2.30 Chris Cartwright: 6.30 Frank Houston.

KENSINGTON URC, Allen Street, W8: 11, 6.30 Rev G Morgan.

SALVATION ARMY (Regent Hall), Oxford St W1: 11, 6.30 Major E W Calvert.

ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11 HC, Rev R T Englund: 7 Storytelling. Inter natus mulierum (Mozart). Sandra Pollerman.

ST JOHN'S WOOD URC, NW8: 11 Rev W C McCrorie.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC, Rev P Hulme: 11 Morning Service. Rev P Hulme.

WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1. 11, 6.30. Rev Dr M White.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate, SW1: 11, 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kendall.

WESTMINSTER MEETING SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 52 St Martin's La WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

So put on God's armour now! Then when the evil day comes, you will be able to resist the enemy's attacks; and after fighting to the end, you will still hold your ground. Ephesians 6 : 13 G.N.B.

## BIRTHS

**CHEAL** - On June 20th, at Bath, Somerset, to Miriam (née Mead) and Jonathan, a daughter, Hermione Claudia, a sister for Diana.

**COX McNEILL LOVE** - On June 8th 1990 at the Royal Naval Hospital, Gibraltar, to Penelope and Robin, a son, Matthew Robin, a brother for Charles.

**DEAKIN** - On June 15th, to Susan (née Dutton) and Charles, a lovely daughter (Poppy Victoria Sophie), a sister for Edward and Emma.

**HUDSON** - On June 21st, at Whipps Cross Hospital, to Maria and Glenn, a son, James Charles.

**LAMBERT** - On June 11th, to Carolyn (née Tomlinson) and Andrew, a daughter, Verity Marie. We wish to thank all the I.V.F. Team at Hammersmith Hospital for making her possible.

**McDERMID** - On May 16th 1990, at Farnborough Hospital, Kent, to Jacquie (née Hawkins) and Mike, a son, Alexander James.

**MOREL** - On June 6th, to Sylvie (née Clerboul) and Olivier, a son, Sébastien Louis Claude.

**MOULDER** - On June 19th, to Clare (née Stevenson) and Chris, a daughter Sarah Ann.

**TAY** - On June 21st, to Patricia (née Diskin) and Ian, a son, Samuel Philip, a brother for Lydia.

## MARRIAGES

**RICHARDSON-HOLLAND** - On June 16th, at Farm Street Church, Mayfair, Clive Richardson to Judeth Holland.

## DEATHS

**ANSTIS** - On Tuesday June 19th, peacefully at St Peters Hospital, Chertsey, after a courageous fight, Gladys, aged 82 years, dear wife of Charles, much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Send near Woking, on Tuesday June 26th at 2 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to British Heart Foundation.

**BARKER-MILL** - On June 21st, peacefully the day after her 85th birthday, Elsa Vaudrey, beloved mother of Amanda, Adam and Lindsay and dearly loved friend and companion of Bobby. Funeral arrangements to be announced on Monday. Memorial Service date to be announced later.

**BURROW-WILKES** - On June 21st, peacefully at home, Roger, a very special husband, father and grandfather. Cremation private. Service of Thanksgiving at St Andrew's Church, Quidenham, on Saturday June 30th at 2.30 pm. No flowers. Donations please to Cancer Research.

**CAMPBELL** - On June 22nd, Peggy, late of Woodlands, Wellington, Somerset and Puckaster Close, Niton, Isle of Wight, beloved wife of Lt. Col. Ian Campbell and much loved mother of Fiona, John and Jean.

**CASHMORE** - On June 22nd, Colin John, aged 64, Chartered Engineer of Newcastle Emlyn. Dearly loved husband of Marion and father of John and Elizabeth, after a long illness borne with great courage and dignity. Cremation at Narberth, Parc Gwynn Crematorium on Friday June 29th at 2 pm. Flowers if wished or donations to Cancer Research c/o J. Jenkins Funeral Directors, Maes-Y-Felin, Newpool Road, Cardigan 614181.

**DAMS** - On June 20th, at Bristol, Elizabeth Mary, widow of Cyril, mother of Christopher and Mary. Funeral at St Monica Home, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, on June 27th at 2.15.

**FEILDING** - On Wednesday June 20th, Elizabeth Alice, peacefully in hospital. Beloved wife of the late Hon. David Charles and mother of William, Michael and Charles. Funeral at St Edith's, Monks Kirby, at 11.30am Monday June 25th.

**GARDINER** - On June 20th, peacefully at home, 132 Leckhampton Road, Cheltenham, W.A. Gardiner (Jock). Loving husband to Gwen, dear father to Kathryn, Alexander and Jessica and a very special grandfather. Family flowers only. Funeral at 2.30 pm Tuesday June 26th at St Philip & St James Church, Cheltenham.

**HENDERSON** - On June 20th 1990, at home on Vancouver Island, Marjorie Evelyn, wife of the late Lt. Colonel George Henderson and beloved mother and friend of their daughter Marjorie.

**HOAR** - On June 19th 1990, peacefully in hospital, Charles, aged 83, of Enterprise House, Chingford. Funeral Service at Chingford Parish Church on Wednesday June 27th at 2 pm, followed by cremation. No flowers please, donations if desired to Royal School of Church Music, Addington Palace, Croydon CR9 5AD.

**HORTON** - On June 20th 1990, suddenly in hospital, Jennifer Anne, much loved wife of Richard, mother of Alexandra and Benjamin and sister of Rowena. Funeral Service at Church of the Annunciation, Chislehurst, 11 am Friday June 29th. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to King's College Molecular Oncology Fund.

**LANCASTER** - On June 18th, tragically, Susan Jane, of Feltham, Middlesex, aged 32. Funeral Service at 1.30 pm on Thursday June 28th at South West Middlesex (Hanworth) Crematorium. Enquiries please to Lodge Brothers, (081) 890-2231.

**LEWIS** - On June 20th 1990, peacefully at Malmesbury Hospital, The Reverend Doctor Arthur James, Moravian Minister. Former Headmaster of Fulneck and Ockbrook School. Beloved husband of Mollie, dear brother of Essie, much loved father of Roger, Adrian and Yvonne and a proud grandfather. Service on Thursday June 28th at 12 noon, Malmesbury Abbey. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Moravian Mission or for Cancer Research.

**McLEOD** - On Thursday June 21st 1990, peacefully and courageously at her home in Swithland, Leicestershire, Phyllis Ivy Eccles McLeod, aged 74 years. Beloved wife of Colin, dearly loved mother of Rosslyn, Christina and Vaughan and adored grandmother of Andrew, Vanessa and Charlotte. Funeral Service at Swithland Parish Church on Wednesday June 27th at 11 am, followed by private interment in Essex. Donations if desired for Guide Dogs for the Blind and further enquiries to Ginns & Gutteridge Ltd, Funeral Directors of Leicester, tel: (0533) 516117.

**NEWLOVE** - On June 20th 1990, George Sugden, aged 93. Will always live in the hearts of Peter, Bernice, Kate, Sarah, Fay, Eric, Paul, Susan, Wendy, Andrew and Robin.

**NOLAN** - On June 17th, Elisabeth Bradshaw (Betty), much loved by her family and friends. Mother of Elisabeth and John, grandmother of Penelope, Richard and Beth, great-grandmother of Charles and Matthew, went willingly to be with her Lord after a short illness during which she was an inspiration to those around her and to those who cared for her. She will be missed but remembered as an example of Christian love, service and fulfilment. To the end she was a person it was fun to be with. Funeral June 29th, St Michael's, Beaconsfield, 12 noon. Flowers or donations to Ian Rennie Hospice or Beaconsfield Housing Society.

**ROBINSON** - On June 20th, Michael Edmund Duncan, tragically on holiday in Portugal. Dearly loved husband of Jean and beloved father of Nicholas, Alexander and Timothy. Much loved by his granddaughters and daughters-in-law. Private family funeral. Service of Thanksgiving to be held in Northampton to be announced at a later date.

**RUSSELL** - On June 21st, Robert William, peacefully at home. Dearly loved husband of Diana and father of Sue, Kath, Rob and John. Much loved father-in-law and grandad. Cremation at Chiltern Crematorium, Amersham, on Wednesday June 27th at 2 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to: The Co-operative Clinical Cancer Therapy Trust Fund (CCCTF).

**WIRE** - On June 20th, in hospital near Bristol, Kate Lilian, aged 96, beloved wife of Ben, formerly of Leytonstone and Wanstead. Family flowers only, donations to R.N.I.B. Sunshine Fund, if desired.

**WOOLF** - On June 21st, at Edgware General Hospital, after much suffering courageously endured, Phyllis Ada Mary, beloved wife of John Moss Woolf C.B. (formerly Deputy Chairman H M Board of Customs and Excise). Cremation at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, on Thursday June 28th at 2 15 pm. No flowers by request.

## MEMORIAL SERVICES

**LORENZ** - A service in memory of Tony Lorenz will be held at St Lawrence Jewry, Gresham Street, on Wednesday July 4th at 12 noon.

## IN MEMORIAM – PRIVATE

**ALLEN** - In abiding memory of my beloved Sam P.

**INGRAM** - John Thornton, M.D., F.R.C.P., Emeritus Professor of Dermatology. In ever loving and treasured memory of my dearest and devoted husband who passed away on June 23rd 1972 - Kathleen.

**SOLOMON** - Edith Brenda. June 24th 1934 - May 18th 1990. Our sister and aunt who is greatly missed. With gratitude to the staff at The Royal Hospital, Putney. From her loving family.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**ANNIVERSARY** Mummy and Daddy, many best wishes today. All my love David

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**DOMINIC** O'Donoghue congratulations. Love and blessing on your coming of age, June 29th

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**HAPPY** Birthday Christine Davies of Buckshaft Cinderford. With our love Kenneth, Helen.

**HAPPY** 50th Birthday Dad. Enjoy the party. Love Heidi

**HERBERT**, Gwen and Eric. Happy Golden Anniversary, love Davie, Jenny, James, Brooke

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### WORD-WATCHING

*Answers from page 28*

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(a) A ceremonial sword without a point, symbolic of mercy, carried at coronations, from the Latin *curtus* short: Dryden: "When curtana will not do the deed,/You lay that pointless clergy-weapon by./And to the laws, your sword of justice, fly."

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## LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE CHANCERY DIVISION NO. 003998 OF 1990 BETWEEN IN THE MATTER OF MARCH GROUP PLC AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was on 21st May 1990 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice for the confirmation of the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company by £2,777,713. AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Vinelott, at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL, on Monday, the 2nd day of July 1990.

ANY Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said reduction of the Share Premium Account of the said Company should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.

A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the under-mentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 23rd day of June 1990
Wallace & Partners
9 Great James Street
London WC1N 3DA
Solicitors for the above-named Company

## TRUSTEE ACTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s27 of the TRUSTEE Act, 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased person's whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons mentioned in relation to the deceased person concerned before the date specified; after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed by the personal representatives among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

QUAYLE, SIR JOHN ANTHONY, 49B Elystan Place, London, SW3 3JY, died 20 September 1989. particulars to Harbottle & Lewis, Hanover House, 14 Hanover Square, London W1R 0BE, before 1 September 1990.

SEGAL, Mary of 56 Franklyn Gardens, Edgware, Middx, died on 6th February 1990. Particulars to D R Sheridan and Co, Solicitors of 106 High Street, Bushey, Herts WD2 3DE, before 31st August 1990.

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NEWPORT Mary Beatrice of Carnarvon Nursing Home, Carnarvon Road, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex formerly of 3, Broadmere Close, Holland on Sea, Essex died on 1st April 1990. Particulars to Godfrey Davis & Baldwin, Solicitors of 19a Upper Green East, Mitcham, Surrey CR4 2XD, before 14th September 1990.

DE SAXE, RACHEL JEANNETTE, 116 Maida Vale, London W.9 died 5th December 1989; particulars to Jaques & Lewis, Solicitors 2 South Square, Gray's Inn, London WC1R 5HR (ref: NDM/NMT) before 13th September 1990.

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NOTICE PURSUANT TO ELECTRICITY ACT 1989
### SLOUGH ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES LIMITED

Take notice that Slough Electricity Supplies Limited has applied for a Private Electricity Supply Licence in the following terms:

(1) Full Name of the Applicant:
SLOUGH ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES LIMITED

(2) Address of the applicant or, in the case of a body corporate the registered or principal office:
234 Bath Road
Slough SL1 4EE

(3) Where the applicant is a Company, the full names of the current Directors and the Company's registered number:
Directors:-
Graeme Arthur Elliott
Joseph Charles Harding
Derek Robert Wilson
Fergus Tredennick Francis Wiggin
Registered No. 2474514

(4) Where a holding of 20 per cent or more of the shares of an applicant is held by a body corporate or partnership or an unincorporated association carrying on a trade or business with or without a view to profit, the name(s) and address(es) of the holder(s) of such shares shall be provided:
All the shares of the applicant are beneficially owned by SLOUGH ESTATES PLC, 234 Bath Road, Slough SL1 4EE.

(5) Desired date from which the licence is to take effect.
1st July 1990

(6) A sufficient description adequately specifying the nature and situation of the premises intended to be supplied, separately identifying within the power bands specified in and to the extent provided by paragraph 7 below.
All domestic and non-domestic premises in the following area, in respect of supplies within the description set out below.
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On the west, by Burnham Lane and Haymill Road, on the north by Long Furlong Drive Northborough Road, Wiltshire Avenue and Park Road; on the east by Stoke Poges Lane and Canterbury Avenue and on the south by the A4.
Description of supplies:
All supplies of electricity required by any of the foregoing premises which (if and to the extent supplied by STE) would cause STE to fall within the exceptions contained in paragraph E.1(b) of the Electricity (Class Exemptions from the Requirement for a Licence) Order 1990.

(7)
(a) Subject to sub-paragraph (b), indicate the total number of premises intended to be supplied in each power band as shown in the table below, together with the aggregate energy forecast to be supplied and the aggregate estimated maximum demand (See Note 3) for each power band.
(b) If the date in paragraph 5 above is on or after 1st April 1994 then only Power Band A shall be completed and if the said date is on or after 1st April 1998 then this paragraph shall cease to have effect.

| Power Band | Number of Premises | Aggregate Maximum Demand | Energy (Gwh) to be supplied |
|---|---|---|---|
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E.A. Brooks, Company Secretary,
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*William Winwood Reade (1838-75) was a traveller of considerable experience in Equatorial Africa. In 1873 he was the Special Correspondent of* The Times *during the Ashanti War.*

*Like most war correspondents of the period he was not averse to taking part in the action; at the battle of Amoaful he fought with the 42nd Highlanders.*

### THE WEST COAST OF AFRICA

#### TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir – The Ashantee War having just attracted so much attention from the public, some remarks on bush wars in general may possibly interest your readers.

Along the whole margin of the West Coast of Africa, from St Louis, Senegal, on the north, to Benguela, on the south, there is not a single spot which is fit for invaliding. This gigantic range of territory is one cesspool of fever, dysentery, and everything which is deadly and detestable. I except a site on the Cameroons mountain, which Captain Burton has wisely recommended as a sanitarium. Imagine, then the horrors of a campaign in such a country. Every night the army is attacked by an irresistible unseen foe – the malaria of the swamps. Then there is always a poor supply of food; on the Gold Coast sheep and cattle can only be obtained as articles of *gourmandise*. There are no roads broader than sheepwalks; the soldiers are forced to carve their way through the woods with their swords. Engagements consist simply in a series of ambuscades, and for this style of warfare Western Africa is admirably suited. Nature appears to have created these forests and swamps for the preservation of the naked negro, as she has protected the porcupine, the armadillo, and the alligator with hideous and impenetrable coverings. Now one need not be blessed with a military genius to understand that offensive warfare under such circumstances is scarcely to be recommended; and the insane raid which has just been made against the Ashantees is, perhaps, the most curious instance of human ignorance and presumption which can be found among the blunders of colonial history.

It is generally supposed that the negroes are a ferocious race, who assassinate white men whenever they can do so with impunity, and who attach the same relish to blood from a human skull, as we do to '20 port from a dusty cobwebby bottle. But I must assert that I have found the negroes, timid, effeminate, courteous, thorough men of the world, loth to shed blood, except when their fears or their religious passions are aroused. Above all, they have great commercial foresight. They receive from us white men those luxuries which have now become their necessaries – the cotton cloths with which they clothe themselves; the glass beads with which they adorn themselves; the rum with which they intoxicate themselves; the powder and guns with which they shoot us when we leave them no alternative. I will prove how reluctant they are to make use of this *dernier ressort*. A subaltern, who many months ago went up the country with the first expedition informed me that on one occasion they passed an ambuscade of 200 Ashantees, as they afterwards discovered from some men whom the Fantis had taken prisoner. When asked how it was they had not fired they replied that they had received orders from the King not to hurt the white men. "We are at war with the Fantis," they said, "not with you; and if you go to war with us on account of these fellows we will not fight with you." In this first campaign at all events they kept their word....

The negroes are really afraid of men-of-war, and of the great guns which guard our colonial towns. But they laugh at our drilled negroes, who must indeed cut a sorry figure floundering through swamps, or marching "in beautiful order" into ambuscades. It appears to me, and I have studied this matter very carefully upon the spot, that these unhappy soldiers, and their still more unhappy officers, are useless in West Africa, and that it is to all intents and purposes an act of cruelty to send them there...

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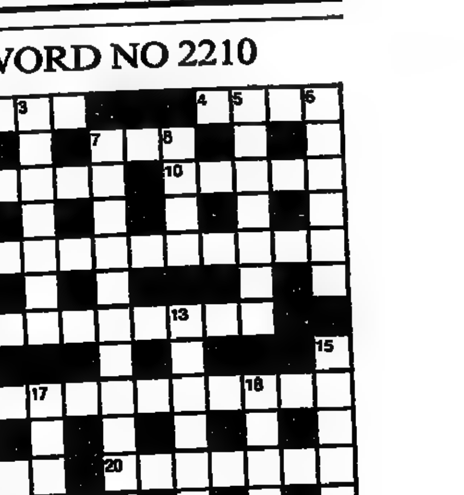

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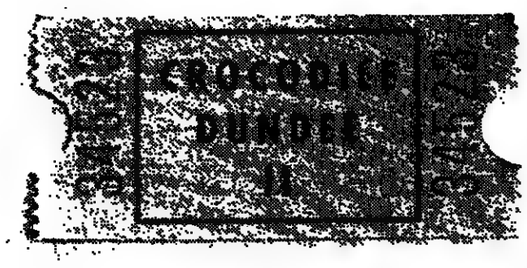

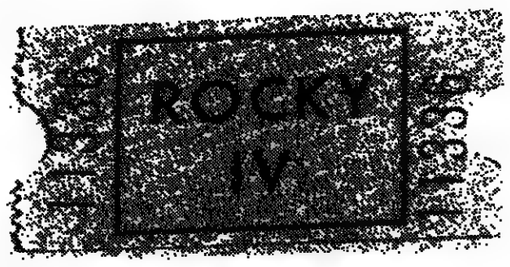

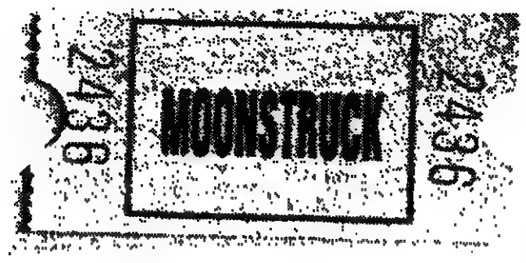


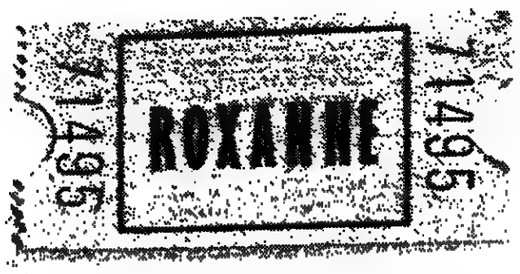


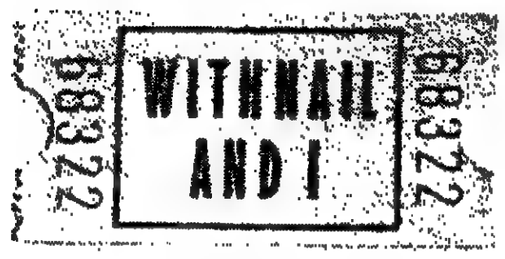


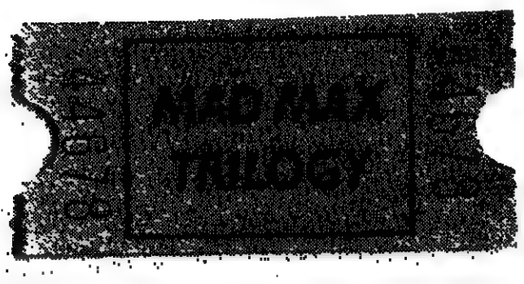


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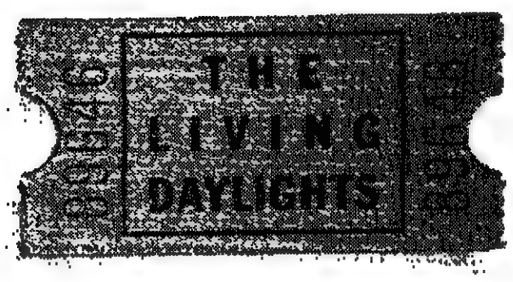

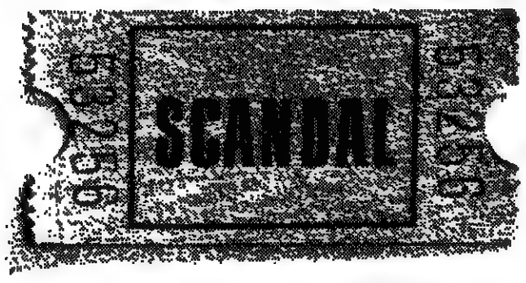


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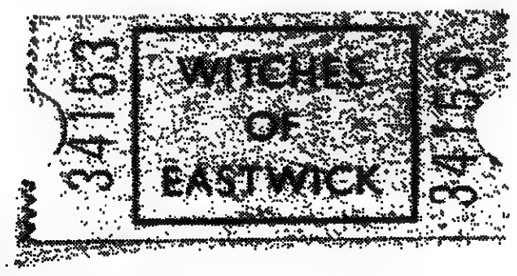


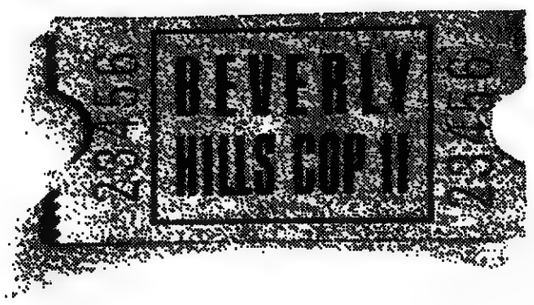

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# Where all classes share the same goal

**The thunder of hooves, the knock of wood on wood, a glimpse of the royals at play: the polo set is opening up its boundaries, says Rupert Morris**

The thrill of polo stays with you a long time. In his ninetieth year, when a walk round his Dorset garden is akin to a route march, Colonel Lovell Payne leans lightly on his stick and reflects: "When you play it well, it is like being a centaur. You feel that you are part of the horse, or the horse is part of you. It's the best game in the world."

Sixty-three years since Colonel Payne last played with the British army in India, there is the same enthusiasm in the faces of four boys from Millfield School as they come off the field, after retaining the '88 Cup at the expense of their elders from the Taunton Vale Polo Club.

"There's nothing like it," says a breathless James Gasson. The others smile or nod. Aged between 13 and 17, they have not been playing long, but already they are in polo's grip, and each dreams of turning professional one day.

Attitudes are not very different at Cowdray Park, where I have been watching the semi-professional team of People Skills International advance to the quarter-finals of the Royal Windsor Cup with a victory over the formidable Ellerston, owned by the Australian media tycoon Kerry Packer.

The People Skills team consists of Mike Rutherford, guitarist with Genesis and a polo novice with three years' experience; Martin Glue, known as "Sticky", a middle-ranking English professional; Owen Rinehart, a handsome American and one of the best players in the world; and Terry Hanlon, a grey-bearded figure known as the "voice of polo" because of his match commentating.

**Blazing saddles: American professional Owen Rinehart, one of the world's best players, in the foreground for the People Skills International team, with Terry Hanlon, the "voice of polo", behind him (in black shirt)**

ANTHONY PHELPS

Things are buzzing in this Sussex field before the match. Grooms are busy in their respective camps, arranging the horses so the players can switch mounts between chukkas. Behind station-wagons or Range Rovers, players pull on their boots and adjust their gear. Eyes turn at the appearance of familiar figures: the blond hair and flashing smile of Howard Hipwood, England champion, who has lost most of his original front teeth to stray balls or mallets; the quiet swagger of the South American stars, Carlos Gracida and Gonzalo Pieres; the unmissable bulk of Kerry Packer, whose frame seems so unsuited to polo, but whose wealth and enthusiasm are rapidly transforming the English game.

The game begins, a medium-goal contest in which the combined handicaps of each team add up to 16 (the higher the handicap, the better the player). After two of the five chukkas, the Packer team is 5-2 up. There is much talk about the Ellerston horses, reputedly worth £20,000 each, and the impossibility of competing against such resources.

But this is not to be Mr Packer's day. Although Rutherford leaves the field after a fall, clutching his guitar arm ("it's all right, I can still do the vocals"), the People Skills team, with Caroline Boyer on as substitute, wins by a penalty in extra time.

On the neighbouring field, Ellerston's high-goal team in which Packer plays (their combined handicaps add up to 22, the maximum in club polo) is beaten by the men of Hildon, where the mineral water comes from.

It is one of the peculiar traditions of polo that, even at the high-goal level, a team is built round a patron (pronounced in the French manner) who may be no kind of a player but must have a one-goal handicap. Packer of Ellerston and Norman Lobel of Hildon are their teams' respective patrons, footing the bills and suffering the abuse of their more skilled colleagues, who normally prefer them to stay as far away from the action as possible.

At medium-goal level Rutherford, who has advanced from minus two to a 0-goal handicap, is the patron of People Skills, sharing the costs with the eponymous management training company. The annual cost of running a medium-goal side is well into six figures; a high-goal team would cost at least £25,000.

For the professionals, Glue and Rinehart, perspectives are different. Both worked their way up from grooming duties. As a middling player, Glue earns little more than the average county cricketer, but hopes that in the increasingly competitive polo market he could become a valuable high-goal player off his relatively modest handicap.

"Five years ago, there were no more than 10 high-goal teams in the country, of which only four or five were really competitive. Now there are 22 teams, with at least 12 patrons who go out expecting to win." This means that men such as Rinehart can ask a lot for their services. It does not mean, as Hanlon likes to point out, that everyone in the polo world is rich. "There are the patrons, then a few top players, then a lot of poor people like me," he says, only half-joking. What unites them all, from the humblest stable-girl earning less than £100 a week to the multi-millionaires who make it possible, is the love of the game.

**Kerry Packer: he is transforming the English game**

Unlike horse-racing, where winners not only collect six-figure sums in prize money, but can earn considerably more at stud, there are no financial rewards for the patrons, apart from the odd piece of silverware.

"In pure business terms, I don't think you can say we get a lot of return on our money," Peter Pattenden, managing director of People Skills International, says. "But we certainly get a lot of fun — much more than we used to get out of sponsoring motor-racing."

Last week Coutts, the bankers, sponsored a day at Smith's Lawn, home of the Guards Polo Club in Windsor Great Park, when, for the fourth consecutive year, a team representing the Stock Exchange took on a Lloyds of London team which contained both Major Ronald Ferguson and the Prince of Wales.

When the new rich of the Eighties began to hammer at the doors of the big three clubs, Cowdray, Cirencester and the Guards, things had to change. But all the clubs, to a greater or lesser extent, maintain a degree of exclusivity in their membership.

In the best tradition of those denied entry by the establishment, Brian Morrison, a pop tycoon, set up his own club next door. The Royal Berkshire, as it is generally known (it has no royal endorsement, but is in the royal county of Berkshire), was carved out of the old Ascot racecourse and has a larger playing area than the Guards' ground in Windsor Great Park, more marquees, more acres of white-painted fencing, more luxurious stabling. Where the Guards has tradition and brass bands, the Royal Berks has helicopter landing areas. The Guards demands a £5,000 entry fee for membership, the Royal Berkshire requires £15,000. When Major Ferguson fell out with both the tabloid press and the Guards Polo Club, there was a welcome close by. No one mentions money, of course. They just have it.

At Cowdray Park people note that in spite of Kerry Packer's Argentinian stars, his 150 new horses and his fleet of high-tech transport vehicles, he has yet to win the prizes that matter.

Way out in the sticks, at Taunton Vale Polo Club, the old army clique has given way to a new meritocracy. The team I watched losing to the schoolboys at Millfield (they did give them a four-goal start) consisted of a doctor, a builder, an estate agent and a farmer.

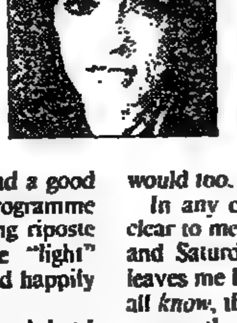
Dr Richard Eve reckons it costs him less than £3,000 a year to keep two ponies, and play perhaps twice a week. He keeps the ponies at home for most of the year, stabling them at the club for £40 a week during the season. Kevin James, a builder, says it costs him less than that because he buys the horses, often failed hurdlers, at four or five years old, trains them and then sells them as "made" polo ponies. At £200 a year, membership of the club is half the cost of belonging to the hunt of the same name. There are now between 50 and 60 playing members, almost three times the number four years ago.

At the Royal Berkshire today, there is a one-off challenge match between Buenos Aires and the Rest of the World. Seats will be limited to a few thousand, and the polo will be of a very high standard. Some members may fly in from Switzerland.

The entertainment at the Guards Club this afternoon will hardly compare, but there will be a good turnout, as always, for the members' cocktail party.

## WEEK*ending*

**BEL MOONEY**



It is the sympathy that is hardest to bear. "Oh dear," they sigh, "you poor thing . . . how can you bear it?" A bereavement, perhaps, or financial problems, or a bitchy book review? No — I attract this pity because I'm a weekend widow. For two years I've headed for the West Country each weekend, while my husband stays behind to work.

Each person has his or her own idea of what the two-day "rest" should be like. The teenage lad, heavy with hangover, stares with derision at the young husband washing his car; the keen gardener gazes disbelievingly at women trailing round shops; and couples — couples like to be together. In vain do I protest that I'm fine, that sometimes I have riotous weekends. They shake their heads.

All I want from Saturday and Sunday is to idle with my children, drink white wine, talk to close friends, glance at newspapers, sit in the sun (if possible) or by the fire (more likely), finish the Saul Bellow, read some poetry, and sleep until nine on Sunday morning. All of that I do — but minus spouse. Said spouse earns his crust by presenting three live programmes for the BBC, two on Radio 4 and one on BBC1, and as a result I cannot bear to move far from a radio or television set.

On Friday night I head for Bath, arrive, pour myself a stiff drink (necessary after the M4), and make a sandwich to eat as I listen to *Any Questions*. Through the steam radio I hear Spouse Mark I, just as he is at home: the benign host, batting the conversation about with wit and vigour. It pleases me that egotistical panellists can't get away with waffle now. You'd be amazed how many sneak in little prepared notes on likely issues. Me, I spend a good few minutes after each programme working out the stunning riposte I'd have given to the "light" question — and go to bed happily smiling at my own wit.

Loyalty does not demand that I sit glued to the repeat of *AQ* at Saturday lunchtime, but the meal does have to be dispatched in time for *Any Answers*, these days a phone-in. Now I'm tuning in to Spouse Mark II, properly more tolerant of the punters than he was of the panellists, and allowing his feelings to show only by a particularly tight-lipped, "Well, that's *one* view", if the odd piece of crass ignorance or prejudice finds a few seconds' airtime. Sometimes I long for him to say: "Sir, do you realise that you have just uttered a piece of unadulterated crap?" in the same level tones. Or I fantasise about phoning in to put them right — but there would have to be a pseudonym, and change of voice. So, if you hear a Beryl Higginbottom ringing from Bath with a broad Scouse accent, you will know who it is. Trouble is, he would too.

In any case, no answers seem clear to me now. My loyal Friday and Saturday stint by the radio leaves me bemused. How do they all *know*, these people? I can only assume they spend their weekends reading every newspaper and watching videoed programmes on uplifting subjects, so great is their certainty. It occurs to me on Saturday afternoons (as I sit in my library surrounded by great literature which draws as much strength from doubt as conviction) that, far from being a term of abuse, "fudge and mudge" sums up the human condition. Or that "Up to a point, Lord Copper" is a piece of pure Zen.

Which brings me to the weekend's hard politics — my Sunday TV dinner: *On The Record*. There I am, glued to the screen, my mother's sympathy tray of roast chicken on my lap, thinking that by now it's a miracle the crocodile graphics don't drive me as mad as Captain Hook. And on the screen is Spouse Mark III, much more intimidating, this one — especially since the Gorbachev interview, so that British ministers seem like minnows. Women sometimes ask: "What do you think when you see your husband on TV?" What do they expect: "Isn't he gorgeous — and he's *mine* . . . His hair's getting quite grey . . . Why doesn't he ask about the inherent contradiction between market forces and moral imperatives?" All that. And sometimes, disloyally, I think that Beryl Higginbottom should write to the controller of BBC1 suggesting that *On The Record* should go out late on Sunday night — because then she could carouse at lunchtime.

Those kind friends ask why I don't use the video. The point about live broadcasting is the risk involved. Someone might use a rude word on *AQ*, and cause the Reithian ghost to rise, or my dream will come true. I will be watching *On The Record* when the tray will slip to the ground as, for the first time, I see Spouse Mark IV. He will grin at the Autocue, then blow a huge raspberry at the watching millions, and tap-dance joyously out of the studio — towards empty weekends. For, if it ever came to that, there'd be a lot of free time, that's for sure.

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*Farmer's diary: Paul Heiney*

# Psst — know how to find a binder on the Sly?

LATE one evening the telephone in our lonely farmhouse rang. The air was still and the peace had tempted the bats out of the barn earlier than usual. High in a tree, our resident owl was warming up for a night's hooting. At the modern warbling of the telephone I dropped the muck-fork and sprinted from the farmyard to the house. "Hello," I gasped. If Hitchcock had been directing the scene that followed, he would have started the murmur of sinister music at this point.

"Mr Heiney? I think I have . . .", the elderly voice quavered, "I think I have found you a horse-drawn binder," he blurted out, like a man who had been trying hard to keep a deadly secret, and had just failed. "I can't tell you where it is, but if you like I will take you there." He paused. "I have to warn you, it is a bit primitive." We agreed to meet at his cottage the following day, and, with a sense of adventure and conspiracy coursing through me, I went to bed.

To explain: it is all very well to try to work a farm using horses, but where do you get the tools? Horses are simple to buy, but horse-drawn ploughs, rakes, mowers, and hoes are not so easily come by. Those that have survived are either found rusting, beyond salvation, in the bottom of ditches, or else they have been tarted up and wastefully strewn around carparks. I have sunk to negotiating a bridle off the wall of a teashop, but it is hardly a sound basis on which to equip a serious farming venture. So I rely on agents and spies to do the hunting. Every so often one of them will unearth a crock of gold; in this case, a binder.

A binder is a vital piece of equipment. Without it you cannot harvest your corn. It is an intricate and apparently incoherent assembly of wheels, pulleys, cogs and gears and is usually drawn by three horses. It cuts the corn, gathers it together, ties it in bundles and spits them out as sheaves. When the sheaves are stooked, or leaned upright against each other in sixes, you are left with a field out of of any heavy Victorian oil painting called *Harvest Scene*.

My informant, a Mr Sly, is a retired dealer in farm machinery and has an encyclopaedic knowledge of the contents of every barn in coastal Suffolk. He promised, however, that this barn would be special. We sped down isolated winding lanes into what he called "bow and arrow" country, although we were never more than a few miles from the A12. We drew up outside a rambling, decayed Victorian farmhouse obscured by dense and undisciplined woodland coming almost up to the bedroom windows. Daylight showed through gaps in the roof, and, in the fields around, the hedges stood as high as trees.

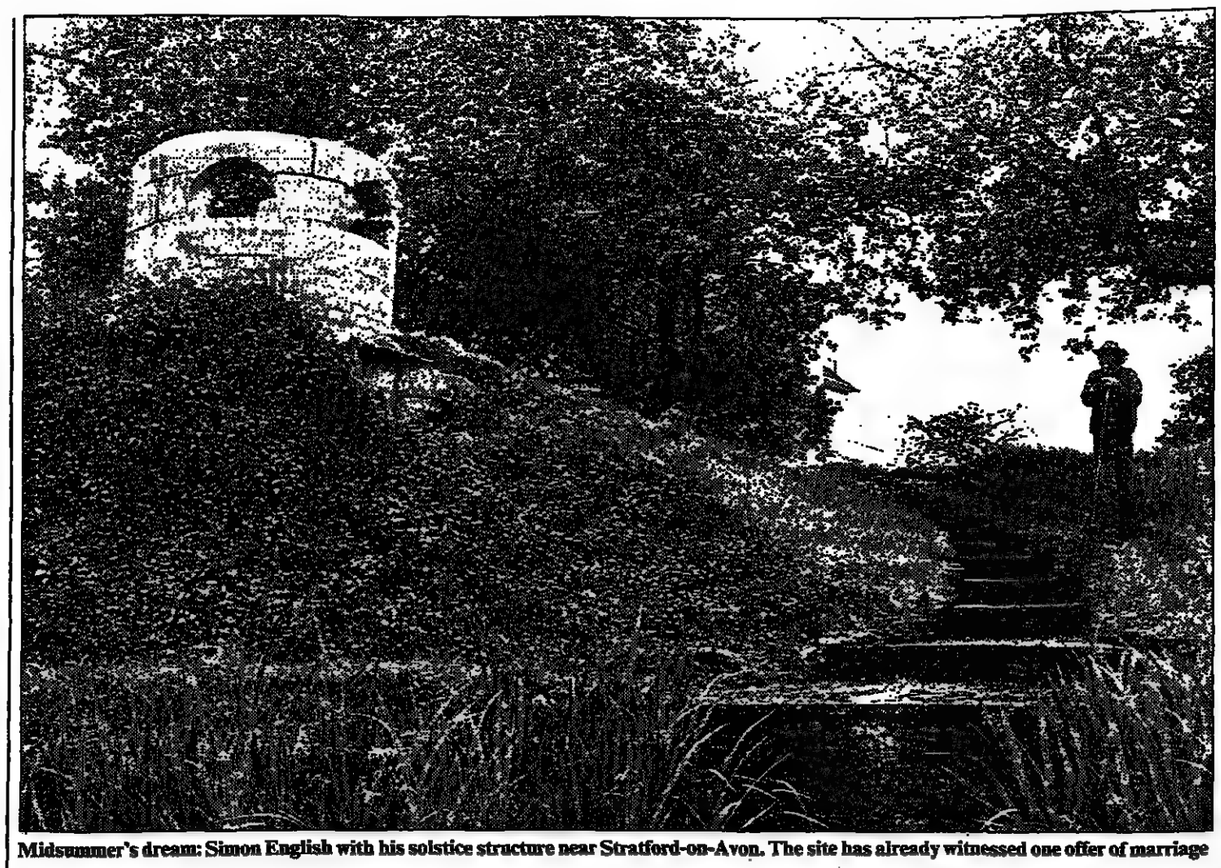
We fought our way to the back door and knocked. It opened an inch or two to reveal a stone sink fed by a lead pipe. Then the door opened fully and there stood Mr Palmer, 87 years old and bright of eye. He was wearing a heavy blue overcoat which, in its long life, had been ripped and carefully sewn together again, but with string.

"Do you want to cut with a binder do you?" he enquired, fixing me with a watery eye. "You want to go backwards?" I told him I believed that going backwards was the only way forwards. He said he'd think about it. I sensed that he was wondering if I was going senile. I tried to glean from him some enthusiasm for his farming days, but his mind was set on life's pleasures rather than toils. "Clacton," he said, "Grand place, Clacton. I had some good times in Clacton. Do you know Clacton?"

We discussed Clacton as quickly as diplomacy allowed, and then I mentioned the binder again. "It's over there," he said. I looked where he was pointing, but saw only crumbling barns and the tumbling bricks of the old granary.

"No, over there!" he insisted, and I followed the line of his stick until I spotted a few roof-tiles above the jungle of vegetation. I looked at my native guide. In his hands had appeared a machete, an oilcan and an adjustable spanner, and in his eyes a gleam of triumph.

A chilly breeze sprang up and I sensed many adventures yet to come before I had sight, let alone possession, of the treasure. Cue sinister music. Stay tuned for a further episode.



Midsummer's dream: Simon English with his solstice structure near Stratford-on-Avon. The site has already witnessed one offer of marriage

# Grand doodler casts light on his longest day

Shortly before noon on Thursday, the day of the summer solstice, Simon English descended into a tiny dungeon of his own making near Stratford-upon-Avon.

Once down the iron ladder, he made his 6ft-plus frame as comfortable as he could and stared intently at a spot in the centre of the floor.

At 1.08 and 19 seconds, British Summer Time, a pinprick of light grew to the size of a silver sixpence before fading and, after the four minutes the sun takes to cross the meridian, Mr English emerged from below ground and headed for home.

Two years ago, he constructed a dungeon beneath a pulpit in a garden. Incorporating a strategically designed small gothic window, it was designed to serve as a friend's betrothal place. As that friend led his mystified love down into the darkness, at the appointed time on that particular solstice, the speck of light grew to illuminate a ring on the dungeon floor placed there for the proposal. Who says romance is dead?

Naturally, Mr English's friend had his offer of marriage accepted, which also made Mr English a happy man: now he is giving thought to a tree house in the garden for the couple's baby boy.

Mr English is an artist and landscape sculptor with a particular interest in the solstice. For midsummer's day last year, he sculpted a swan in flight from a field of white camomile flowers adjoining his dungeon. To create the bird above the banks of the River Avon, Mr English mowed a field by hand for four days and nights. His work at night was done by the light of the moon.

As a 40th birthday present, his wife and two young daughters arranged a flight in an aeroplane, which allowed Mr English a perfect view of his project.

His work earned him no money. "I wanted to do that swan for about four years," he says. "I kept on about it — I knew there was a swan in that field." The owner of the field, seeing Mr English's smile, guessed the worst and said: "I know what you've done. You've gone and done that bloody swan, haven't you?"

The artist, who is also an expert in stained glass, says: "It wasn't simply a pretty picture. The swan was a cross-shape with the field as wing space. There was an axis point that went right through the middle. It was mathematically balanced, with the swan bisecting the field as the summer solstice bisects."

Last year's solstice coincided with the full moon: the sun rose over the swan's beak and the full moon over its tail. In the sunshine, the swan's wings were tipped with gold, and the light of the moon turned them silver. And, says Mr English triumphantly, "overhead was the constellation Cygnus, the swan".

Mary Sheepshanks, a Yorkshire poet, was so impressed by the photograph of the swan that appeared in *The Times* that she sent a poem to Mr English pondering the camomile swan's transience.

*Did it preen its feathered flowers*
*For secret, solstice mission,*
*Who knows where?*
*Did it lift off*
*On whispered wings of silence,*
*Beak towards orange dawn,*
*And silver tail to moon?*

It did not. A search of the field shows the swan's "skeleton" still lying in a scrub of daisies, like the remains of an old flower bed taken over by lawn. Mr English does not waste time on memories, however — his eye is on his next project.

In the winter flood meadows overlooked by the site of the dungeon and pulpit project, Mr English yearns to etch a flight of ducks whose shapes would hold the last of the flood waters. The landowner has not yet been asked whether his fields can be used as the next "canvas" for the solstice-powered urges which the artist describes as "neurotic doodling".

In the Seventies, having completed a first class degree in fine arts at Leeds University, Mr English embarked on his "whole world sculpture". This project involved writing the word "Earth" over the earth with one letter for each continent. Individual characters were plotted and delineated by outlines made up of points 300 miles apart. The height of each character was about 1,200 miles.

As part of the massive work, Mr English has travelled to the computed points to erect cairns and explanatory plaques. So far, he has erected 10 in North and South America, where the letters "E" and "A" are lodged. Another 40 cairns are still to be erected. In Peru, he met Dr Maria Reiche, who is trying to solve the riddle of the most famous "doodles" of all, the Nazca lines left in the copper-brown desert by ancient South American Indians.

On a visit to Australia a few years ago to supervise the removal of a cathedral's stained glass windows for shipment and restoration, Mr English wished he had time to make a start on that country's letter "H". "But the sculpture is all part of the myth."

For his "sketch" he travelled around England to engrave its name by erecting plaques in places to denote individual letters. He said he had received letters from people puzzled by inscriptions they had found on the edges of artillery ranges or motorway intersections.

The really wise do not puzzle, knowing that Mr English is another manifestation in the tradition of talented British eccentrics. He went to school at Stowe which now has need of an old pupil who is in love with the landscape. Quarrying and gravel extraction are proposed nearby, threatening what is said to be the finest landscape in England. But first someone will have to remove the artist from the garden he is creating for his friend and patron, already living happily ever after as the result of an earlier folly.

SANDY BISP

*Breeding*

# Farm a charmer llama

PAUL and Judy Rose were backpacking in Peru seven years ago when they first encountered llamas, used there for fibre farming and for donkey work, and decided it would be fun to own one eventually.

They now live in a 14th century Gloucestershire manor house and own 20 llamas and four alpacas — llamas' rarer, shaggier, smaller relatives.

Their first llama was a female which was, they were told, too young to be mated. "When I saw a shadowy figure in her shelter one morning, I thought it was a fox. It was a baby llama — she had been pregnant all along." Even more luckily, the baby was a female.

The Rose's mixed colour herd is now one of the largest in the country with its own stud llama and geldings. There are about two dozen serious breeders in Britain, with between 500 and 750 animals.

Mr Rose also intends to introduce llama-trekking tours of the Cotswolds. "Llamas in Peru are used for trekking and riding," he said. "They can be harnessed singly or in teams to pull little carts. Walking a llama is as pleasurable as walking a dog."

Llamas are light on their feet, so do not damage trails as horses and ponies would. Mr Rose sees llamas as perfect, conservation-orientated pets, and says he has never been spat at by one. But they are pricey, with males costing at least £1,000 and females £4,000.

Green pet: the adaptable llama

"But you can keep six llamas on the same amount of grass needed for one horse," said Mr Rose (half an acre would be enough for two). "I put out a maize and protein supplement, should mine need it."

Llamas do not need stabling but will use a shelter occasionally, and they do not need mucking out. "They select a corner of their paddock for use as a dung heap," Mr Rose explained. "It makes excellent manure and in Peru they burn it."

SANDY BISP

● *Mr Rose's alpacas and llamas can be seen at the Royal Show, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, next weekend. More information about llamas can be obtained from him (0451 31191 during office hours), or from Mrs Pamela Walker, secretary of the British Camelid Association, Maplehurst Farm, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 6RB. Enclose a large stamped addressed envelope.*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*Feather report*

# No itch to twitch

AS I write, there are three birds in Britain that have never been seen before on these shores. Three "firsts" — and I shall not see a single one. And it just so happens that I do not give a monkey's.

Yes, I care a great deal about birds, always have. I am even writing a book about the damn things. But, pleasant though it is to hear about the tree swallow of the Scillies, the least tern of Suffolk and, of course, the ancient murrelet of Lundy, I am quite content for them to go on strutting their stuff without me.

Such a statement will draw gasps of horror from the twitchers. It is a confession that one is simply not serious about the business of birds. Twitchers are the people who love to chase such fantastic, impossible rarities as the ancient murrelet. They make lists, they collect; in short, they are driven by an acquisitive urge.

Each twitcher lists the birds he has seen in Britain. This is a "life list", and a new "lifer" sends him — twitchers are almost always men — into raptures. The word "twitcher" describes the state of near-screaming neurosis that overtakes such a person when a rarity is at hand, and he has yet to clap binoculars on it.

Ludicrous stories abound in the twitching world. There was a grey-cheeked thrush that flew the Atlantic and landed, exhausted, on a rock off the Scilly Isles. It was promptly listed by a handful of alert birders, and a second later it was washed into the sea by a wave and drowned. Another grey-cheeked thrush made the journey last autumn and was eaten by a ginger tom on St Mary's, also in the Scillies.

But not all bird people are twitchers. Many birders see the pursuit of extreme rarities as a world of illusion. The murrelet is from the Pacific Ocean: it is a sad, lost creature. Most extreme rarities are the result of catastrophic navigation, disastrous involvement with boats, or unavoidable trouble from appalling winds. Lundy Island is simply a personal disaster for the poor murrelet, no more.

Voice in the wilderness: a nightjar, as captured by Thomas Berwick

My finest bird moment this year occurred at three o'clock on a May morning in the middle of a patch of blasted heathland on Minsmere bird reserve, in Suffolk. At one moment, I could hear no fewer than four nightjars chirring dementedly to the night.

NIGHTJARS are British breeding birds, and any twitcher would tell you a nightjar is a "tart's tick" — a bird every twitcher has ticked every year of his twitching life. Nightjars are not rare. But they are seriously threatened by the loss of their heathland habitat. At Minsmere, the bird people are reclaiming and managing heathland to recreate the land a nightjar loves. And this year, nightjars are thriving.

The real business of birds is not about ticking rarities, or even about the protection of more glamorous species. Real birding is about the Great Chain: the interconnectedness of just about everything. The point is not just the nightjars. You must provide the insects that nightjars eat, and you must provide for these insects. The point is not to protect nightjars, the point is to protect everything.

Twitchers have a bad name among many bird people: "the Chelsea supporters of the bird world," said one.

But all bird people are essentially on the same side. There is no time for internecine strife or class snobbery. The best twitchers are magnificent field naturalists: to tell a least tern from the virtually identical British little tern is a serious piece of work. A good few bird reserve wardens are lapsed twitchers.

The twitching subculture is an interesting phemonenon and, no doubt, good fun for the twitchers. But, ultimately, it is a distraction from the real thing. What does the arrival of a least tern demonstrate? Principally, it shows that there are a lot of twitchers about, and that some of them are very good. But the real issue is not with the ancient murrelets of British life. There is only one issue of real importance and that is conservation, conservation, conservation.

SIMON BARNES

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WEEKEND LIVING: OUT OF TOWN

# A house that needs people and parties

*Home from home: Anne Heseltine*

Owning a house in London's Belgravia would be most people's idea of having arrived. But it was not Anne Heseltine's.

"The London house is just a house. This is home," she says of the Palladian residence not far from Oxford she shares with Michael, the politician, publisher and her husband. "This has been what we always aimed for. We always wanted a really lovely 18th century house, we wanted a farm, we wanted somewhere Michael could do his gardening and keep his ducks."

The house, built in 1760 by Michael Woodhull, was bought by the Heseltines 14 years ago, after they had sold their spacious London home in Wilton Crescent and acquired the slightly smaller four-storey Georgian residence in Belgravia as a pied-à-terre. Mrs Heseltine thinks they could manage with just a one-room flat in London, but her husband considers that moving would be too much of an upheaval, she says, and their daughter Alexandra, a student at London University, lives in the basement flat.

The country house's rococo interior and classical proportions give Mrs Heseltine the scope to collect the fine 18th-century furniture and paintings she admires. The 400-acre estate encouraged her husband to create an arboretum, and gives the Hanoverian horses she has bred for the past five years room to stretch their legs.

> 'This has been what we always aimed for. It's the perfect house and always will be'

"Michael's worked very hard at propagating the trees, exchanging letters and seeds with people all over the world," Mrs Heseltine says. "He wouldn't say this but I can — it's amazing what he's accomplished in such a short time. When we first came here he knew nothing about trees, but now they're his passion."

There is humour indoors. A *Spitting Image* caricature toy of Margaret Thatcher has been chewed up by Dominic the dachshund, and the prime minister's face also adorns a paper holder in the guest lavatory.

The Heseltines give each other presents for the house on birthdays and at Christmas — an urn from her to him, an 18th century escritoire from him for her. But they do not buy indiscriminately. "I know exactly what I want and am prepared to wait a long time to find it," Mrs Heseltine says.

She reminisces about the Monopoly Board trail of residences which has led them to the home of their dreams. "When we first got married we started off in Michael's bachelor flat, and then bought a rather run-down house in Notting Hill Gate. It had been a physiotherapy school and there were skeletons hanging up in the dining-room when we saw it. We were very happy there.

"Then Michael got more and more committed to the House of Commons and never got home for dinner and our finances had improved, so we moved to the house in Wilton Crescent. When boundary reorganisation meant we were on the march again to a new constituency, Henley, we had to find somewhere in a great hurry because by this time we had all these encumbrances of children and dogs and woolly ponies. So we bought a house just outside Henley, always knowing it wasn't really what we wanted, and looked around until we found this which is, as far as we're concerned, the perfect house and always will be," Mrs Heseltine says.

"There was a good deal of work to be done. We more or less furnished to the date of the house, which is a curious amalgam, since the outside is Palladian and the inside rococo. It needs heavy, early 18th-century furniture, not Regency, particularly upstairs where the rooms are oak-panelled. We put early walnut pieces up there.

"We don't really spend very much on the house in London," Mrs Heseltine says, "and if we get something nice for that house it tends to find its way down here. We never eat a meal in that house — we have breakfast and then go our separate ways. Our elder daughter Annabel may fly in for breakfast and I occasionally have lunch with her, and our son Rupert lives in Fulham and works in the City so we don't see much of him except at weekends here. We don't entertain much in London, but we love having friends to stay here."

She says: "We've had a lot of parties here, it's that sort of house: the girls' 18th birthdays, Michael's fiftieth birthday, my fiftieth birthday; as a family we enjoy parties. But we also use it for local things, fundraising for hospices, hunt lunches. This house needs to be full of people."

A recent dinner and auction held in aid of the Ashmolean Museum raised more than £30,000 for the fund.

It is a source of pleasure to Mrs Heseltine that her children choose to come home to the country at weekends, and she hopes Alexandra will continue to do so after her wedding to Tom Colborne-Malpas, who works for Sotheby's, in October. A top floor rumpus room will be turned into a bedroom for the couple.

Alexandra looks set to comply. "This is home," she says. "Although my parents have bought us a house in Chelsea as a wedding present I hope I will still be able to come back here."

The Heseltines are not your average two-home family. In addition to a farm, which is owned by Mr Heseltine's Haymarket Publishing company, they have a holiday hideaway on Exmoor.

Mrs Heseltine went there recently for a "hen party", as she puts it, with five women friends. "We had a wonderful time. We sat around in the evening watching television in our dressing-gowns, with mugs of coffee. It sounds very childish, but we were all people who were quite pressurised normally: half-way through the week we were invited out to dinner and we didn't want to go."

Sometimes, she admits, she has found herself going to London for a rest. "Here, in the country, I work. When I go to London I don't have to do anything very much except having my hair done, taking in an exhibition, having lunch with a friend."

VICTORIA MCKEE

CHRIS HARRIS

**Home for the Heseltines: the family had lived at half a dozen different addresses before they they found the country home they had always wanted, a 230-year-old Palladian house near Oxford**

## Country events

● **Family rambling day:** National event with more than over 150 walks taking place throughout England, Wales and Scotland — all specially designed for families with young children.
*Tel Ramblers Association, 0342-313 449, for more details.*

● **Festival of gardening at midsummer:** The only weekend in the year when Hatfield House and all its gardens are open to the public at the same time. Floral displays, a country fair, arena events.
*Hatfield House, Hatfield, Hertfordshire (0707-262 823). Today 10am-6pm, tomorrow 10am-5pm. Adult £3, child £1.20.*

● **65th annual Middlesex show:** Major attractions include a mast-manning display by members of HMS Daedalus, heavy horse display team and parachute team.
*The Showground, Uxbridge, Middlesex. Today, tomorrow 9am-6.30pm. Adult £4, child 5-16 £1, under-fives free. Car park £1.50.*

● **Jousting tournament:** Knights of Royal England perform feats of skill.
*Hever Castle, Hever, Edenbridge, Kent, (0732 865224). Today. Gates open 11am, jousting 2pm, last admission 5pm. Adult £4 castle and garden, £2.70 garden (and jousting). Child £2 castle and garden, £1.60 garden.*

● **Rev W Awdry weekend:** To celebrate the 45th anniversary of the publication of Mr Awdry's first railway book — *The Three Little Engines*. The author and his son Christopher, who now writes the stories himself, will be present. Light refreshments and lunches.
*Didcot Railway Centre, Didcot, Oxfordshire (0235-817 200). Today, tomorrow 11am to 5pm. Adult £2.30, child £1.60.*

● **Port of Brixham international trawler race:** Charity event at this picturesque port in which trawlers and crabbers race around Torbay for various good causes. Fête, food and live music.
*The Harbour, Brixham, Devon (08045 3321). Today from 10am. Programmes, for charity, 50p.*

● **Wessex game and country fair:** Country pursuits, including clay pigeon, rifle shooting and archery competitions. Tomorrow only, terrier, lurcher, exemption and working dog show.
*Cricket St Thomas Wildlife Park, Cricket St Thomas, Chard, Somerset (0460-30755). Today, tomorrow 9.30am-6pm. Adult £4, child £3, OAP £3.50.*

● **17th century village exhibition:** Village life as it was in 1642. Local people in period costume go about their domestic, craft and farming tasks in reconstructed 17th century dwellings.
*Grange Farm, Howe Road, Gosport, Hampshire. Today, tomorrow, June 30-July 1, July 7-July 8; noon-5.30pm. Last admission and tour of village 3.30pm. Adult £2.50, child £1.75.*

● **Ripley castle weekend:** Working steam fair today and tomorrow with engines and organs, steam threshing and sawing, vintage vehicles. This evening a firework and laser symphony concert.
*Ripley Castle, Ripley, North Yorkshire. Steam fair today, tomorrow 11am to 5pm. Adult £2.50, child and OAP £1, car park free. Gates for concert open at 7pm. Adult £10, child £5. Credit card bookings 0625 573 477.*

● **Humberside rainbow festival:** Environmental and conservation groups, including Greenpeace and Friends of the Earth. Also craft demonstrations, live music.
*Beverley Racecourse, Beverley, Humberside. Tomorrow 11am-6pm. Admission and car park free.*

● **Fleet and district carnival week:** Entertainments begin with a children's procession around the town this afternoon. This evening a firework display and gala night with bands and a children's show. Tomorrow, a craft fair and, in the evening, songs of praise.
*The Views Meadows, Fleet, Hampshire. Today, tomorrow.*

● **Pestalozzi international children's village open day:** Family entertainment with a Gurkha band, pipes and drums and dance groups.
*Pestalozzi Village, Sedlescombe, Battle, East Sussex (0424-87044). Tomorrow 1pm-5pm. Adult £1, child 50p.*

● **Hardy 1990 events:** Celebrations to commemorate the 159th anniversary of Thomas Hardy's birth continue with, today, a midsummer day of dance at Fontwell Magna, carnival and Victorian street fair in Dorchester and, on both days, a festival in Beaminster.
*Dorset, various venues. Information from tourist information centres.*

**NEXT WEEK**

● **The Knole festival:** Monday, the Fine Arts Brass Ensemble. Tuesday, the English Players in two comic operas. Wednesday, the Sackville Singers. Thursday, the grand finale with the Band of the Royal Engineers and fireworks.
*Knole, Sevenoaks, Kent. First three concerts 8pm, final concert 8.30pm. Tickets £7.50-£11 adults, reductions for children. Box office 0892 890651.*

● **Three spires festival:** A celebration of the arts in Cornwall — classical music, art exhibitions and theatres.
*Truro Cathedral, High Cross, Truro, Cornwall (0872 863346). Mon-Sun.*

JUDY FROSHAUG

*Originals: Alison Hunt, gun engraver*

# Mistress of the rifle line

EVERY Alison Hunt gun is highly prized, even though Miss Hunt would be hard-pressed to fire a shot. At the age of 25, she is Britain's leading female gun engraver with a three-year waiting list of customers.

Most mornings Miss Hunt makes a 20-minute walk across Weybridge, in Surrey, to work alongside her father Ken. They have shared a rooftop workshop for almost 10 years since Miss Hunt, then a schoolgirl, decided to follow her father's craft, as her brother Marcus did before her.

Miss Hunt's earliest work involved pieces of decorative scroll around the pins, as screws are called in the gun trade. Now, should a commission require, she can handle the difficult task of tracing a favourite gun dog in gold inlay at the bottom of the action of a gun.

Whether working on a small pistol or a 12-bore shotgun, her basic tools are the same: a swivel-ball vice to hold individual gun parts and large numbers of wickedly sharp, stubby "gravers".

She could have had no better teacher than her father. Since his apprenticeship at James Purdey & Sons, in Soho, in the early Fifties, Mr Hunt has engraved guns for some of the world's wealthiest families. He engraved designs by Carl Toms, the designer of Kensington Palace, on a pair of guns presented by the Queen to Lord Snowden for his marriage to Princess Margaret in 1960.

Skilfully engraved guns make good heirloom investments. In 1902, the London gun manufacturer John Rigby & Co delivered a .577 double-barrel rifle for £64. A Rigby .577 double-barrel rifle now would cost £30,000. Cost of special engraving or gold work would be added to the price.

John Rigby & Co's 1990 catalogue warns prospective customers that they face a three-year wait for a Ken Hunt engraving. Collectors accustomed to seeing Mr Hunt's works fetch prices of up to £120,000 at Christie's and Sotheby's auctions are now becoming more aware of his daughter's considerable skills. Miss Hunt has already given demonstrations of her work in the United States. She recalls a visit to a Beverly Hills mansion: "The owner showed me into a rich, wood-panelled room, thickly carpeted, but puzzlingly empty. Then he pressed a code mechanism and the doors sealed shut behind us while the panelled walls opened upwards to reveal absolutely amazing gun cabinet displays."

Miss Hunt says she is a traditionalist and is happiest depicting English game birds and other animals. One commission with which she is particularly pleased specified a vignette of a fox looking up at a spider descending on its thread. The whole design is less than the size of a thumb nail.

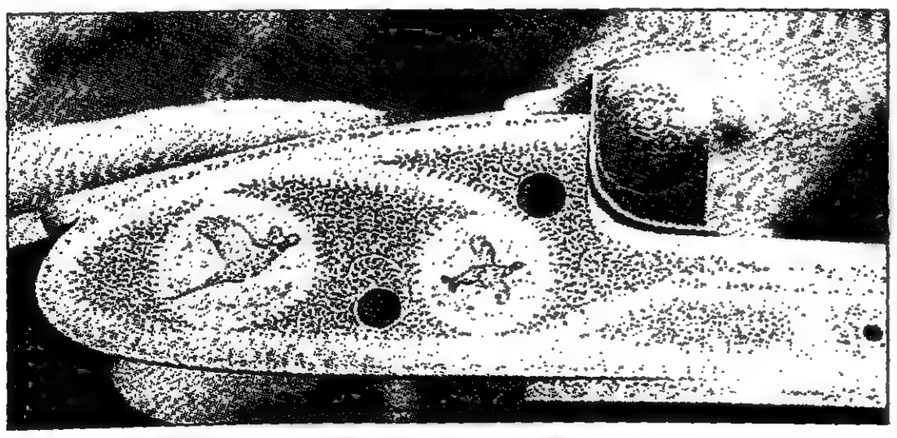
Working an eight-hour day, a commission such as a small pistol might take six weeks to complete.

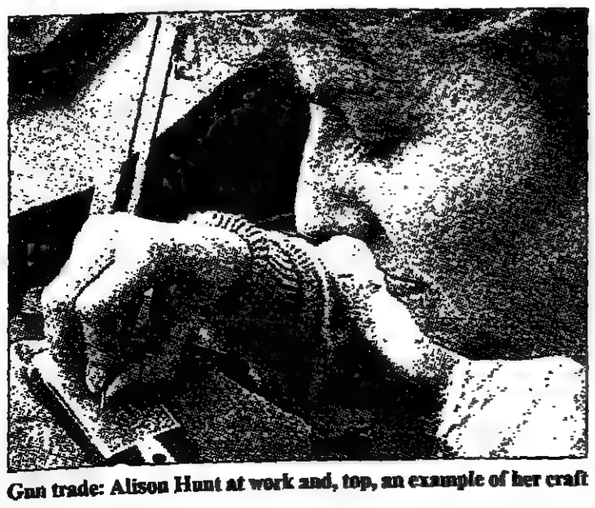
MISS Hunt envies her father his early working days when he was able to study exhibits at the Victoria & Albert Museum. "Museum charges can make studying the exhibits a luxury now," she says.

Nigel Beaumont, a director of James Purdey, says: "People look at engravings far more closely today. Alison has a wonderful technique, learnt from probably the best gun engraver ever. I think there will certainly be a premium attached to her work in the future."

Miss Hunt accepts work through the major gun manufacturers. Basic scroll work is included in the price of a rifle. However, depending on the commission and the extent of the work, an engraving of a specific game scene could add up to £5,000 to the price of a gun.

SANDY BISP





**Gun trade: Alison Hunt at work and, top, an example of her craft**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*Assets*

# Young and on their way to success

The world's largest public show of graduating design talent, the New Designers' Exhibition, which opens next month at The Business Design Centre in Islington, north London, will be the most comprehensive in its seven-year history, expanding for the first time into fashion, jewellery and graphics, alongside textiles, furniture, ceramics, glass, silver, industrial and product design.

As well as providing an opportunity to view and buy the latest designs, the exhibition aims to create links between designers and industry and help graduates find jobs or gain commissions.

The organiser, Peta Levi, says: "More than 700 of Britain's most talented designers, selected by their colleges and the Chartered Society of Designers, are exhibiting their work, which now covers all the design disciplines. Visitors will include international manufacturers, retailers, architects, specifiers and stylists." Typifying the positive approach from the participating colleges is Paul Callaghan, head of Manchester Polytechnic's industrial design department. He says: "Industrial design is becoming respectable and attracting highly-qualified candidates."

> The aim is to create links between designers and industry

Mr Callaghan's final year students have come up with some innovative yet practical ideas including a paper re-cycling machine for small offices, an inner-city moped, and a breakfast unit for simultaneously preparing coffee, toast and eggs.

Ben Pincus, one of the final-year students showing and selling his work at the exhibition, intends to set up his own business, initially from home until he can afford to rent office or studio space, after graduating. He has just completed a two-year furniture design course at Farnham Trust in Dorset, following a foundation course at Epsom School of Art & Design. As part of the course he has designed and made a knock-down display system, a low table in concrete, glass, steel and wood, some unusual mirrors, lavatory-paper holders, and a colourful folding chair that hangs on the wall.

"I'm interested in using a combination of ordinary materials, like perforated steel, in a classy way," he says. "I'm not into tropical woods. I prefer using British timber from sustainable sources and adding colour, stain or lacquer to bring it to life." His mirrors cost £85, lavatory-paper holders, £35, low table, about £1,000, and folding chair, £630.

Moy Mackay is exhibiting examples of her painted wooden flooring. She has completed a four-year course in printed textiles at Glasgow School of Art, following a year's foundation course at Manchester Polytechnic.

"The flooring is made in panels and is suitable for domestic and commercial use," she says. "My influences are many and varied, including a trip to Russia, and the folk art of gypsy caravans."

Ms Mackay hopes to set up in a studio on her own in the Borders. She sells her hand-painted and hand-printed fabrics from £50 a metre, and will accept flooring commissions which cost from £25 for each decorated tile (less for plain tiles) and £50 a metre for decorated skirting.

Miranda Watkins completes her four-year jewellery course at the Middlesex Polytechnic this summer. She specialises in big, bold designs — "I don't like doing things by halves" — and says she "wanted to make quite special jewellery, catwalk pieces, rather than the more watered-down styles you generally find on sale.

"I take my influences from all sorts of sources — modern architecture, electrical machinery, aircraft and engine parts — and usually work in steel, brass, nickel and Perspex. I prefer their rawness to silver, although I have also worked in that. But what is important is the idea — not the value of the material. I also use anodysed aluminium which is ideal because it is lightweight and can be coloured."

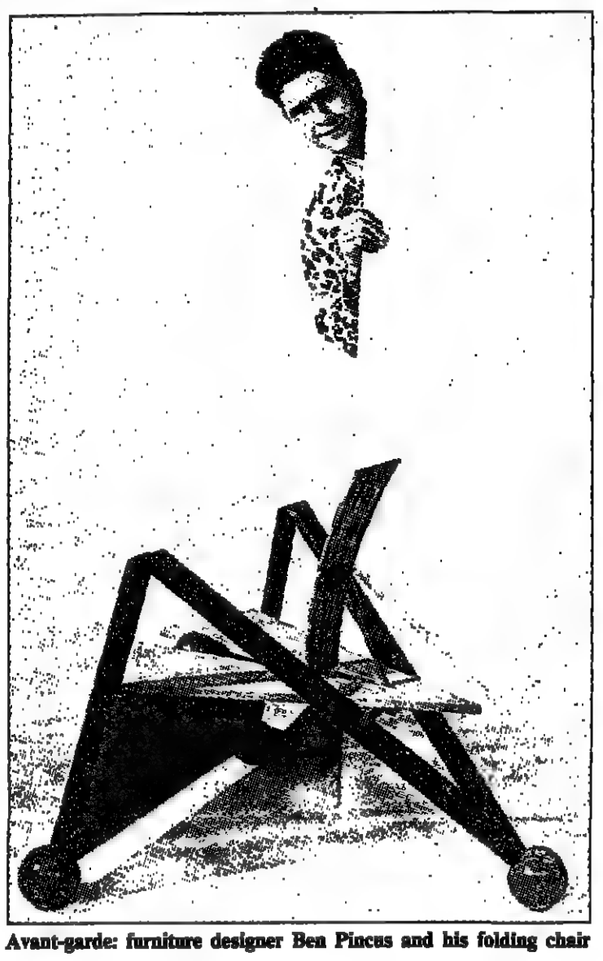
Ms Watkins's over-sized bracelets cost from £250, while brooches start at £150.

- The New Designers Exhibition runs from July 11-14 at the Business Design Centre, 52 Upper Street, Islington Green, N1 (071-359 3535).
- Ben Pincus, 2 University Mansions, Lower Richmond Road, Putney, SW15 1EP (081-789 8533).
- Moy Mackay, Routhenhill, Falsdam, Pathhead, Midlothian EH37 5SU.
- Miranda Watkins, Electrum Gallery, 21 South Molton Street, W1Y 1DD (071-629 6325).

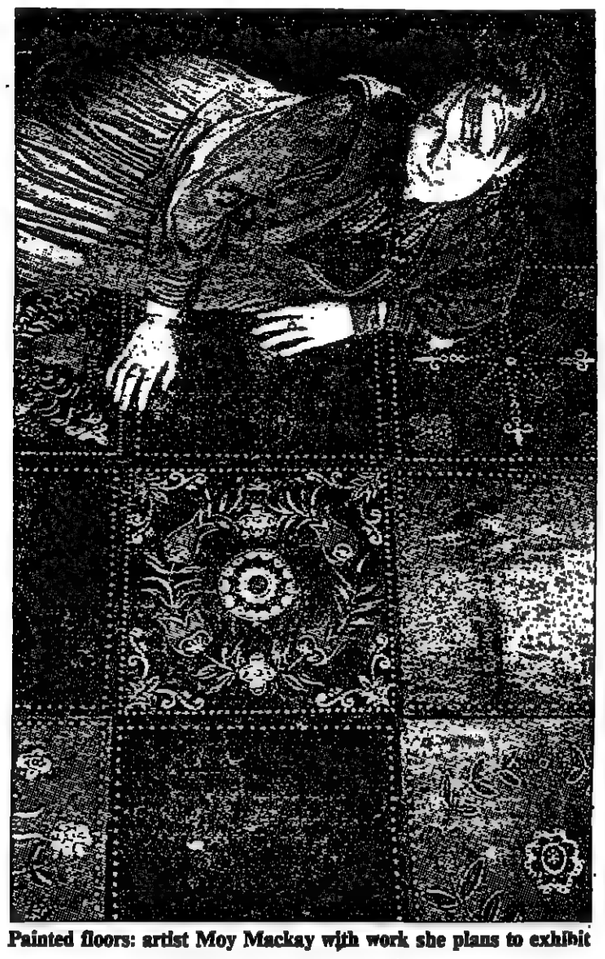
NICOLE SWENGLEY

PENNY TWEEDIE

Big and bold: "I don't like doing things by halves," says Miranda Watkins, a jewellery designer who wants to specialise in catwalk pieces



Avant-garde: furniture designer Ben Pincus and his folding chair



Painted floors: artist Moy Mackay with work she plans to exhibit

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## Making a false impression

BARBARA Bush has given the world one distinctive look to copy. The three-strand pearl necklace, unapologetically fake, has become her trademark.

Ken Lane, the costume jeweller who made Mrs Bush's original style-setter, has been doing a brisk business in identical ones from his shop in London's South Molton Street — at £120 each. Pictures of the president's wife adorn the shop. For the less bold or less old, chokers with strands of smaller faux pearls are available.

But for those who wouldn't be seen dead without the real thing, advice on cleaning and caring for pearls is available at Mappin & Webb's Beauty of Pearls exhibition at their flagship store, 170 Regent Street, London W1, until next Saturday.

## Top Marks

SO POPULAR have Marks & Spencer's washed silk shirts proved this season that the company intends to continue them into the autumn, introducing some new colours. The long-sleeved, tailored shirts with concealed button closing which have been walking out of major branches at £39.95 each in chocolate brown, deep purple and mint green will be continued in navy, mauve and green for autumn.

## Small mercies

EVEN under a Christopher Robin cotton sunhat and playing in the shade of a parasol, a baby's skin needs protection from the sun. Estée Lauder Baby Block is a new *waterproof sunscreen with a sun* protection factor of 20+ (more than 30 according to the American method of calculation) in a gentle cream priced £15 for a 125ml tube. Uvistat Babysun, also new, has a factor of 22 in a formulation specifically designed for baby-fine skin and costs £4.99 for a 50g tube.

## CC bon

FITTED linen jackets, painted straw hats and other attractively styled and priced pieces are to be found in the first Collier Campbell summer fashion collection. The distinctive prints of the designing sisters Susan Collier and Sarah Campbell work beautifully on either silk or linen. The collection includes printed muslin shirts (£70), fitted linen jackets (£85) and soft silk ensembles (£145). As well as fashions, bedlinens and textiles the shop, at 45 Conduit Street, W1, sells Collier Campbell's own range of aromatherapy oils and soaps and unusual glassware and household items. The shop also serves as an exhibition area for the work of other designers.

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*Gems: Major Mustard, Children's Entertainer*

# Condimentia rules

FAMILY is a key word to Mike Frost, also known as Major Mustard of Major Mustard's Travelling Show. Indeed, he is an entertainer because his family has produced entertainers for five generations. He likes to think of his entertainment as "family shows", rather than merely "children's entertainment", since they have appealed to audiences at birthday parties and borstals, church halls and colleges from Birmingham to Peking.

Nothing pleased him more than when three generations of his own family (his father, a jazz musician, playing the accordion, himself the melodeon and Ellen, his ten-year-old daughter, the tambourine) performed together to an audience that spanned at least as many generations.

But now his father has had a stroke, and can no longer accompany him. And his wife, Caz — a fully fledged "Punch and Judy Professor" who used to do the shows with baby Alice, now aged six, in a pack on her back — is separated from him and living nearby. Yet the sense of family is still vital to the enduring success of his act.

Mr Frost's roots are deep in the Midlands, where two of his great-great-grandfathers were actors, one at the very first Shakespeare theatre in Stratford-upon Avon. His base is in Birmingham, although his puppet workshops and performances are in great demand from Hong Kong (where he is frequently invited by the Traditional Music Society) to Hammersmith (where he performs regularly at the Lyric Theatre). His home is crammed with puppets, masks and musical instruments, and the memorabilia of more than one lifetime as a travelling player.

Like his shows, the workshops appeal to all ages. He first presents a slick and energetic performance, then dissects it, shows how to make the puppets, demonstrates diverse puppeteering techniques and lets his audience put on a show themselves.

Wherever he travels, even if he cannot bring his 22ft long Mercedes van with its colourful paintings of Major Mustard (done by a friend) and puppet stages of all sizes and shapes, he takes his dancing dolls, wooden puppets which tapdance jerkily on a board. "Ellen's learning to operate them now," he says, proudly.

Major Mustard is not, he insists, a Sergeant Pepper-derivative. But this is hard to believe, particularly as Mr Frost himself, even without the military uniform, looks like a refugee from the Lonely Hearts Club Band and, at 43, is just the right age to have been influenced by it.

Major Mustard has now been travelling for 15 years, and occasionally wears a frock coat and clogs as a change from the restrictive military uniform which, Mr Frost admits, is getting a bit tight for all the energetic gesticulating he does.

The clogs have come in useful for threatening teenage thugs who, at least once, came too close for comfort — but usually his audiences are entranced. Although he is happy to perform for moderately sized birthday parties he feels that to justify his approximately £100 performance fee (plus travelling expenses) he should work a larger audience.

He has taken his act to Palestine, where he was funded by the British Council "to help bring culture to the children of the occupied territories" — and to a Vietnamese boat people refugee camp in Hong Kong. He keeps seven shows in his repertoire, all of them originals, and most written in collaboration with Caz.

You may have seen him this week on Channel 4's *Go for It*, working with handicapped children, and he will be doing a week's residency in August at the Polka Theatre in Wimbledon, south-west London.

You can also reach him on 021-426 4329.

VICTORIA MCKEE

CHRIS THOMOND

How I won the war: Major Mustard — or Mike Frost — takes to the road

WEEKEND LIVING: IN TOWN

*Changing face*

# Brighton cleans up its act

There was a time when all that was needed to work in conservation was a scholar's mind or a craftsman's eye. Now, as staff in charge of the £10 million restoration of Brighton's Royal Pavilion are acutely aware, you also require the tact of a diplomat and the guile of a politician. In four years, when the last brushstroke has been made, the last gilding burnished and the project is finished, the royal palace will come under the sort of scrutiny it has not experienced for more than 150 years.

The restorers' work will be viewed by scholars and historians eager to point out inaccuracies, and politicians ready to criticise extravagance. To these can be added a public never so sensitive to what is being done to our ancient buildings and a tourist industry which sees the past as an exploitable resource.

Next month the pavilion will be stripped of the cocoon of blue plastic which has encased it for the past 10 years and emerge much as George IV saw it upon completion in 1823. The pavilion's audacious domed structure presented problems even during its creation. The relationship between the architect John Nash and his patron became strained when it was discovered that Nash's patent stucco became permeable when dry, which meant it had to be sheathed in expensive copper. Later damp salt air led to the corrosion of the roof's iron framework and the decay of its timbers. In the restoration of the roof, beams have been fashioned from imported mature Douglas fir, and Bath stone, quarried from the same site chosen by Nash in 1815, used for the minarets, which replace glass fibre imitations dating from the late Sixties. Every section of the stone latticework is unique, and each section to be rebuilt required its own template.

But the quest for authenticity was not the only problem. The building's fragility meant that nothing could rest on it, leading to the creation of the widest unsupported scaffolding structure in Europe. This soon became popular with thousands of starlings which were only partly deterred by the introduction of alarms. It became a regular chore to remove acidic droppings and replace protective plastic sheeting.

Inside and out the aim has been to maintain the original where possible, and to reproduce as authentically as possible where it is not. To this end, in Queen Victoria's bedroom, which overlooks the pavilion gardens, walls have been knocked down, windows realigned and artist Gordon Grant has spent the past two years recreating its 18th century Chinese wallpaper, based on a remnant of the original. The paper's bright yellow ground might dazzle some visitors, but a deliberate decision was taken not to fake the effects of time. The four-poster bed being built in the pavilion workshop incorporates rare Cuban mahogany taken from 19th century furniture that was beyond repair. "Although nobody will see it, we will put back five reproductions of the original mattresses. In a building like the pavilion, the small details are important in creating an authentic interior," says Jessica Rutherford, the principal keeper.

In the music room, severely damaged by fire in 1975, three new chimneypieces will be carved from Italian marble following a study of the originals, one of which was moved to Buckingham Palace by Queen Victoria when the pavilion was sold to the Brighton Corporation in 1847. In 1974 the chimneypiece was replaced with a plaster imitation.

Miss Rutherford is convinced the philosophy behind the pavilion's restoration is right, and will please not only scholars, but the public. She says: "One hopes the public will tire of plastic recreations of history."

> 'The public will tire of plastic recreations of history'

Although spending money on marble chimneypieces, gold inlay and hand-knotted carpets might be expected to raise the hackles of a Labour council which this year has had to cut £5 million from its initial budget and dip deep into its reserves, there is a consensus among local politicians that money used in restoring the pavilion will be well spent. Although 25 per cent of the cost of the structural restoration has come from grants from English Heritage, the rest has had to be found by Brighton's relatively small population of 170,000.

It could, however, be argued that the town benefits from its royal palace. Tourism is estimated to bring in about £350 million a year and to support 9,000 jobs. More than 300,000 visited the pavilion last year and generated income of £1 million, not only through entrance fees but also through sponsorship and franchise agreements with New York manufacturers whose reproductions of pavilion fixtures grace many a Manhattan apartment.

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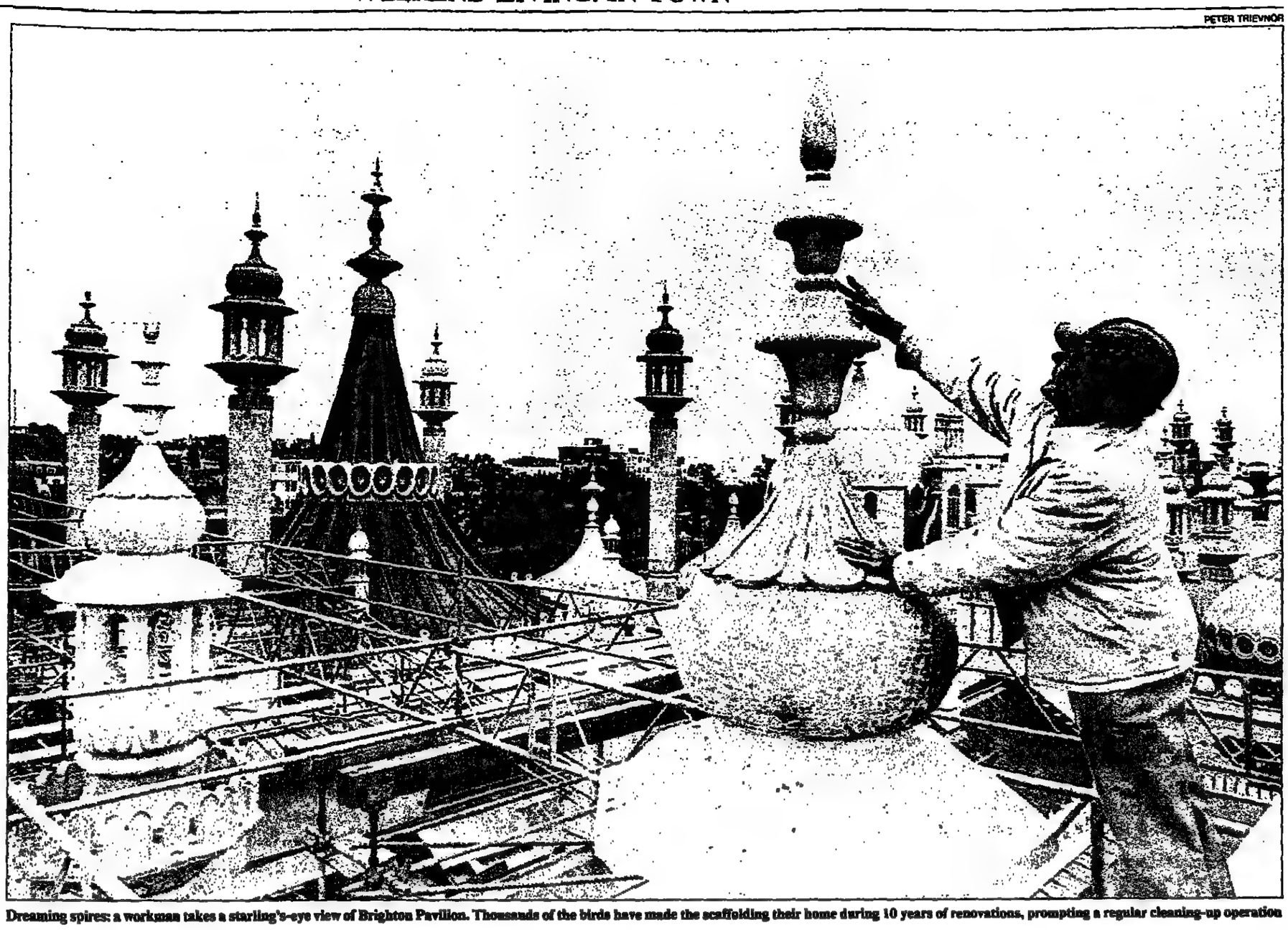

Dreaming spires: a workman takes a starling's-eye view of Brighton Pavilion. Thousands of the birds have made the scaffolding their home during 10 years of renovations, prompting a regular cleaning-up operation

*Events in town*

● **Leeds festival:** The two-week festival gets fully underway today. Lord Mayor's parade throughout the town today from 1.30pm and a fun day in Roundhay Park tomorrow from 11am. Neighbouring towns including Morley, Pudsey, Otley and Wetherby have their own celebrations.
*Today until July 8. Festival hotline Tel (0532-431 800).*

● **The art of Lego:** Major touring exhibition has its only Scottish airing in Edinburgh.
*City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh (031-225 2424). Until July 14, Mon to Sat 10am-6pm.*

● **Exeter festival:** Tonight, 8pm, African dances from villages in Africa never before seen in Europe. Tomorrow 2pm, a children's matinee by Awatinas, with pan pipes and other exotic South American instruments. At 8pm, music of the Andes.
*Exeter and Devon Arts Centre, Bradninch Place, Gandy Street, Exeter. Box office (0392-425 229). Tickets today adult £7, child £5. Tomorrow matinee adult £4, child £2; Evening adult £6, child £4.*

● **Shoreditch festival:** Hoxton Carnival Marching band — outdoor procession with music, singing, dancing, puppets and drama — from 1.45pm. Judo and helicopter displays, stunt kites, children's entertainments, music. Food and beer tents.
*Shoreditch Park, Bridport Place, London N1. Tomorrow 11am-9.30pm. Free.*

● **Brighton antiques and period furnishings show:** Room settings in a town house and a country cottage, specialist stands and an art gallery.
*The Corn Exchange, Brighton. Today, tomorrow 11am-6pm.*

● **Rhythmic gymnastics championships for schools:** All 185 participants come from schools throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
*Crystal Palace National Sports Centre, Ledrington Road, London SE19 (081-778 0131). Today, 11am. admission*

● **London walkathon:** Ten-mile family walk in aid of a proposed new Guy's Hospital laboratory for children with cerebral palsy.
*Southwark Park to Hyde Park via the City. of London. Tomorrow. Register 8am-10am Southwark Park. Walkathon hot line (071-231 2220).*

NEXT WEEK

● **High summer in Highgate:** Run with the Hash House Harriers followed by "recovery" refreshment at a local pub.
*Monday. 7pm start from High Tube Station, Archway Rd, London N6.*

● **Street entertainment:** Comedians, jugglers, stilt walkers, magicians and bands — provide lunchtime entertainment.
*Broadgate Arena, 3 Broadgate, London EC2 (071-588 6565) Mon-Fri 12.30-2pm. Free.*

● **Royal Norfolk show:** Classes in livestock, horticultural and agricultural displays and exhibitions. Licensed bars.
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JUDY FROSHAUG

*Obsessions: John Swannell*

# Waist not, want not

MOST photographers have a penchant for denim and leather, but John Swannell has a passion for the velvet waistcoats and floppy bowties of a more romantic era. The interest in 19th century fashion crept up on him about 15 years ago, when he was 28. "When I first became a photographer I was seduced by the pre-Raphaelites, and I used to try to take pictures like their paintings," he says.

"I was an assistant at *Vogue* and my lunch hours were spent in the Bond Street galleries and shops, and I'd pop into Sotheby's and Christie's, which were a great influence. So was my friend Martin Harrison, who had done a great book on the pre-Raphaelites, and used to work for Cecil Beaton."

He was also influenced by Tennyson, Blake, G.K. Chesterton and, of course, Oscar Wilde. "I read everything Wilde wrote," he says. "My education wasn't very much, and maybe it's because I came to it late that it never really left me." He even used to wear his hair parted in the middle, Wilde-style, but has now adopted a more conventional cut.

As he recalls, his first waistcoat was in black velvet, which he wore with a polkadot scarf tied in a great bow. He prefers simple velvets to elaborate embroidery, but looks for them in unusual colours such as russet or eau de nil. "I buy most of them at the fleamarket in Bath There's a big antique clothing emporium."

John Swannell: the velvet touch

Usually he will wear a waistcoat to death, without a jacket, so he keeps less than a dozen in his wardrobe at any one time.

He never takes his waistcoat off, even in the most energetic shoots on the hottest days of summer: "I'm very English," he says. He likes to wear it with corduroy trousers and his hallmark blue and white striped shirts, made by Bowring Arundel in Savile Row. He likes to wear boots, but they are likely to be women's boots, from Russell & Bromley, since he has small feet and finds them more comfortable.

His suits, from Welsh and Jeffries, also of Savile Row, are saved for special occasions, and always without a matching waistcoat, "so I don't look like an estate agent. I like to wear them with a polkadot waistcoat, and I like them to look lived-in."

Occasionally he'll find a 19th century gentleman's jacket that appeals to him. "At my height I'd be swamped by the square-cut Armani look," he believes. Shorter, at 5ft 7in, than most of his models, Mr Swannell looks slim enough, but confesses to a weakness for cordon bleu cooking which makes him gain weight.

"A well-fitting waistcoat will hold you *in*," he says, and expresses disdain for the ones that wrinkle and gap around protruding stomachs.

VICTORIA MCKEE

# Down to the sea again...

WHEN the clipper schooner Pride of Baltimore was sunk by a freak squall in 1986, with the loss of four of her crew, it seemed that a unique experiment in community enterprise had come to a tragic end. The nine-year-old ship had been on the last lap of a transatlantic voyage back to her home port on Chesapeake Bay, Maryland, after a 12-month goodwill tour of Europe.

Owned by the state of Maryland and operated by a foundation supported by public and private funds, the ship had been designed as an exact replica of the fast privateers which helped the US to harass Britain's trade-routes in the war of 1812.

The Baltimore clippers were contemporary with mountainous sailing battleships, like Nelson's Victory, but radically unlike them. They were slim and lightly built, with immense masts and sails apparently tailored for vessels three times their size. They were usually able to outstrip their unwieldy pursuers without effort. Even when compared with modern racing yachts, the type is unmistakably a machine built for speed and daring exploits. When the 1986 disaster happened, some yachtsmen were inclined to say: "I told you so", and to mutter that such rakish-looking craft could not hope to attain modern standards of safety.

The city fathers of Baltimore grieved for the sudden end of the project, and were ready to put the sad story behind them. But the people of the city would not let them accept defeat. Public opinion clamoured for a second Pride to be built. A disc jockey on a local rock music radio station invited listeners to donate a dollar to the fund to build a replacement (no such fund existed), and offered to match every dollar raised with a dollar from the station.

Contributions of more than $60,000 poured in, and the pressure to build a second Pride became irresistible. Baltimore's second clipper was launched in 1988, and last week Pride of Baltimore II slipped quietly into the port of London.

The captain of the 100ft ship is the same man who brought the first Pride up the Thames five years ago. Jan Miles was home on leave when the schooner sailed on her final voyage, and Armin Elsaeffer, his counterpart skipper, went down with his ship when a 70mph squall capsized her in just 15 seconds.

"It was the kind of freak gust which would lay any sailing boat flat," Mr Miles says. "The boat had a high stability for a traditional vessel. She could tip over 87 degrees and still recover. The new one is even more stable, with a range of stability up to 95 to 100 degrees. She is no longer an exact copy of 19th century methods of construction. She is more massively built, and subdivided into four watertight compartments, to reduce the danger of swamping."

GEORGE HILL

Back in London: skipper Jan Miles and the new Pride of Baltimore II

*The Pride of Baltimore II will be in St Katharine's Dock, London, until Tuesday. Today and tomorrow she will be on show to the public, free, from noon to 5pm.*

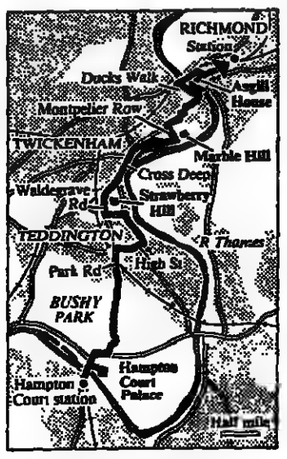
*Walk*

# Vibes from Hampton

WALKING along the Middlesex side of the Thames one realises how much and how little London has changed. For here, amid the Victorian and Thirties houses are deerparks, villages, country houses and villas. At various points the River Thames flows majestically by, alive with small boats.

Start the walk at Hampton Court station, cross the river and, if you have time, visit the great palace itself, with its Christopher Wren additions and famous maze. Skirt the park walls to turn left into Bushy Park, where deer still graze. Out of the north gates, turn left and follow the road round to Park Road, then turn right into Teddington High Street. The small, 16th century and Georgian parish church at the end of the street contrasts oddly with the towering St Albans church of 1889 opposite, which is incomplete and derelict.

Turn left up Twickenham Road, left down Waldegrave Park and then right into Waldegrave Road, to pass Strawberry Hill, which was turned by Horace Walpole into a medieval battlemented mansion, an early piece of Gothic revivalism dating from the 1750s. Beyond this is the river and St Catherine's Convent, a lumpish Neo-Tudor pile on the site of Alexander Pope's riverside villa. Continue along Cross Deep, then right into King Street and Church Street in the heart of Twickenham, with its excellent church dating back to 1714.




Fine villas front the river, and, beyond the Orleans House Gallery (1720), lies Marble Hill park with the stuccoed villa built in the 1720s by a mistress of George II. On the west side of the park, behind the stables, is Montpelier Row, a superb terrace of 1720s townhouses.

Leave the park on Richmond Road, soon turning left to walk along Willoughby Road and Ducks Walk, then across Twickenham bridge and on to the Surrey bank. Turn left up Old Palace Lane past Sir Robert Taylor's stone Asgill House of 1757, a merchant banker's summer villa, and into Richmond, passing the green and the remains of the Tudor royal palace on the way, and then to the station.

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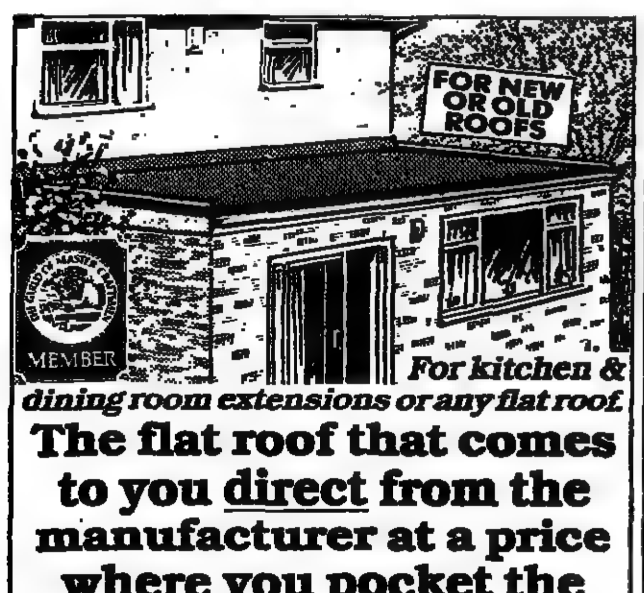

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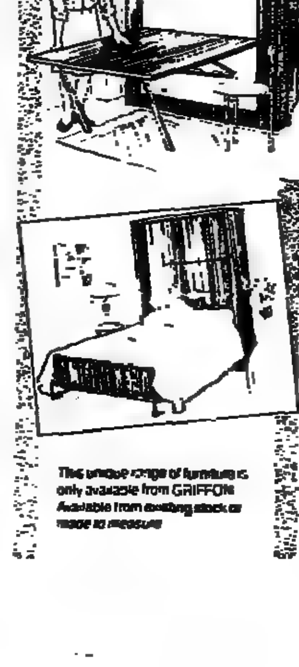

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WEEKEND LIVING: SALEROOM

**Sarah Jane Checkland** reports on the coin sale that came up heads for Sotheby's

# Hunt turns his silver into gold

Sotheby's took a risk using Nelson Bunker Hunt to promote an important collection of Greek and Roman coins it last week. He is the Texan oil billionaire who lost a fortune trying to corner the silver bullion market in 1979.

Mr Hunt's bulk buying, undertaken with his brothers, raised the price of bullion from $6 (£3.52) an ounce to $50. At that time, he was persuaded by the dealer and fellow racehorse owner, Bruce McNall, to sink a further fortune into almost 900 top quality antique coins, thus creating a bubble in this market, too.

In 1980, Mr Hunt met his Waterloo and his various fortunes fell like so many soldiers. Then, in 1988, a jury concluded that the brothers had conspired with the Saudi Arabians to corner the silver market, and armies of investors in silver rose up to sue him.

The "Ides of March" denarius, struck by Brutus after he killed Caesar, (£58,235)

This week, the coin auction which was the inevitable consequence was expected to be less of a prestige event than an amusing trip to the pawnbrokers, the meagre proceeds being swept up by the American tax man. How wrong we were. Sotheby's pulled out the stops, producing two glossy catalogues and suggesting low estimates which were, as one dealer put it, "at prices they were confident people wouldn't resist".

The auction house flew the Hunt brothers on a promotional tour around the world, plying journalists with glasses of Coca-Cola on silver salvers and letting Nelson loose with his platitudes on the vagaries of life, such as "you have to take the bitter with the sweet".

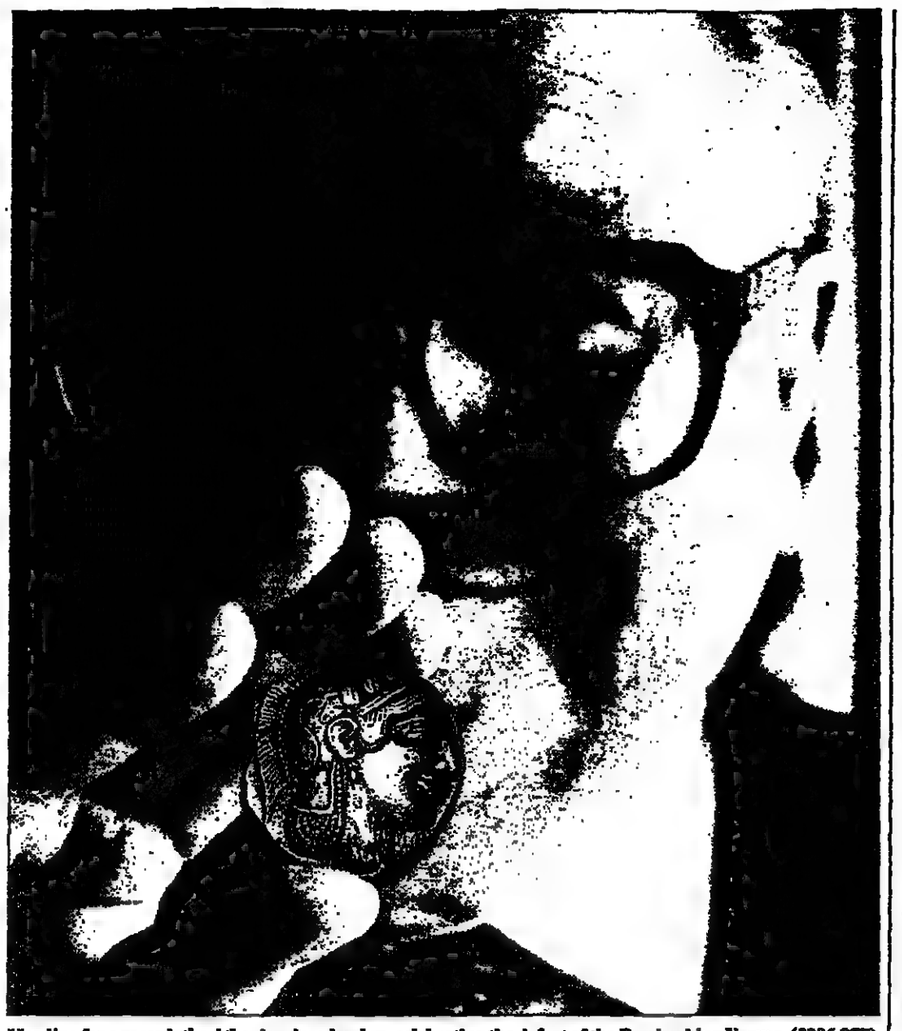
Somehow, despite the fact that Mr Hunt displayed little love or knowledge of the coins, which he had kept stored away, miser-like, in a bank vault, the tactics worked. On Tuesday night, dealers watched in amazement as the auction record for an ancient coin was broken three times in succession. First came the Decadrachm of Agrigentum, celebrating the victory of a youth from that city in an Olympic Games chariot race in 412 BC, and the second appearance for such a coin at auction this century. "A masterpiece of classical art," the catalogue thundered, and the image of the chariot is, indeed, striking, having a spontaneity and force not unlike some contemporary art. Despite the after-effects of zealous overcleaning and areas of corrosion, it fetched $572,000 (£332,558) against an estimate of $250,000 to $350,000. As with all the sales, the buyer was "strictly anonymous".

Next came an Athenian decadrachm, celebrating the final defeat of the Persian king Xerxes, with an exquisite head of Athena on one side and an owl and olive branch on the other. This sold for $528,000 (£306,977), on its upper estimate.

Finally, the "Ides of March" denarius, struck by Brutus after he murdered Caesar, sold to a telephone bidder for $99,000 (£58,235) despite the concensus that it was inferior to another example which fetched a record of $75,000 two years ago in Los Angeles. After an absence of some years, therefore, it appeared the speculators were back.

"It was absurd. Prices went through the roof," says John Pett from Spink & Son, the British coin dealers and auctioneers. "Sotheby's was extremely successful in convincing people to throw away the rule book and bid."

Now the flip-side of the story.



Heading for a record: the Athenian decadrachm, celebrating the defeat of the Persian king Xerxes, (£306,977)

The Agrigentum Decadrachm cost Hunt $1 million when he bought it. . Indeed, as Tom Eden, Sotheby's antique coins expert, says: "Most of the coins were bought privately, and money was no object." Last week's auction records must, therefore, be put into this context. The sale total was less than that paid by Mr Hunt during his five-year collecting spree.

Ever since Mr Hunt dabbled in ancient coins, the market, spanning 2,000 years of history, has been under a cloud. "Speculators caused great damage from which the market has not recovered," said one dealer. A ripple effect has been to turn what was an innocuous hobby enjoyed by parsons and civil servants into a speculative pursuit. "The investors of the late 1970s have driven the old collectors away," says Patrick Finn, of Spink.

Depressing phenomena which have emerged include "slabbing", whereby collectors buy a stack of a given coin type, neatly processed into a plastic wallet. Another development has been the army of treasure hunters with metal detectors hoping to make a mint from Saxon and Norman coins down by the Thames.

Nelson Bunker Hunt had apparently planned to hoard his collection of coins in a bank vault. The hope after last week's sale is that he has inadvertently done the market a good turn, re-establishing it as a strong one. This view appeared to be supported by the two-day 90th anniversary sale of British coins in London by Glendinings's, the coin auction house, which totalled £334,000, and was a near sell-out.

The fear is that, due to Sotheby's bold tactics, the auctioneers have leap-frogged over those with market know-how, in order to seduce investors. According to one expert, buyers such as Michel Bendenoun, of Tradart (an investment company from Zurich and Brussels), apparently had "*carte blanche* to spend what they liked on behalf of the investors. They don't get any money unless they buy."

When asked whether he will be adjusting his prices upwards after last week's results, Mr Pett of Spink's ancient coin department said: "I doubt it. The general feeling is not that we are at the beginning of a boom. I would prefer to see more of the professionals, or dealers, making the prices rather than the investors." That sort of comment is likely to cause last week's speculators to have second thoughts about their extravagance.

## *Preview*

### SATURDAY June 23

Three scrapyard discoveries require buyers with cash and soldering irons at Phillips's classic car sale. Wrecks include a 1913 Morris Oxford (£6,000 to £10,000) and a 1907 Sizair Naudin (£5,000 to £8,000). Phillips, Chelsea Harbour, 2pm.

### MONDAY June 25

All eyes on London for the Impressionist season. Christie's kicks off with two early works by Picasso, *Les Tuileries* (£4million to £6million), and a Rose period gouache of a saltimbanque or jester (£3million to £4million). There may be a record for *Boutique Fantastique*, by the British artist Ben Nicholson, whose prices have been rising dramatically lately. Christie's, 8 King Street SW1, 7pm.

### TUESDAY June 26

Sotheby's turn at Impressionism, with a classic pastel by Degas, *Danseuses, Jupes saumon* (£4million to £6million), and Picasso's *Femme dans un Fauteuil* (£1 million). 7pm.

Sotheby's prints sale includes Van Gogh's experimental lithograph of *The Potato Eaters*, a snip at at £80,000 to £120,000, and Chagall's *Daphnis and Chloe* (£1.5 million to £2 million). 10am Tuesday and Wednesday.

### WEDNESDAY June 27

Christie's South Kensington becomes an artistic dogs' home at a sale devoted pictures of man's best friend. Prices include £700 for a head and shoulders portrait of *Yank, a German Shepherd Dog* and £4,000 for *Gone Away*, an inept hunting scene by William Woodhouse. 5pm.

Minor Impressionists or "Mini Imps" as they are known in the trade, come up at Sotheby's, with many Japanese favourites, such as Bernard Buffet and Foujita. 10.30am.

Sotheby's, Impressionist and modern drawings and watercolours auction includes a hitherto unknown, and utterly untypical collection of 12 drawings by the Austrian expressionist artist Egon Shiele (£8,000 to £10,000). The sale also features a recently discovered drawing by Gustav Klimt — the largest ever to come to auction, at 72in x 35in. Somewhat faint, it shows his famous morbid image *Die Drei Lebansalter*, a mother and child watched over by an old woman, all three enveloped in a shroud (£250,000 to £300,000). 2.30pm.

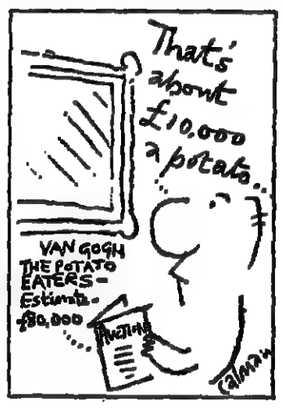
### THURSDAY June 28

Sotheby's parade of orders, medals and decorations includes the Gold Royal Humane Society Medal awarded to Grace Darling (£20,000 to £30,000). The record for a Victoria Cross may be broken by that awarded to Able Seaman William Alfred Savage for valour during "Operation Chariot" in 1942 (£50,000 to £100,000). 10.30am.

European post-war and contemporary art at Sotheby's London sees a first outing for works from the Pierre Matisse Gallery in New York, bought last spring to a hail of criticism from the trade, by Sotheby's in partnership with the New York dealer William Acquavella. This consignment includes *Nature Morte* by Jean Fautrier (£40,000 to £50,000) and *Charbon de Mer* by Wifredo Lam (£100,000 to £150,000). Further highlights include Lucian Freud's minutely observed *Man Smoking* of 1956-58 (£400,000 to £600,000). 11am.

There are bargains both beautiful and bizarre at Christie's Old Master prints and British Colour Linocuts sale in London, due to the relative slackness f this market. An etching titled *The Tree Man* by Hieronymous Bosch, featuring a family eating supper within his trunk-cum-belly (£4,000 to £6,000). 11am.

Contemporary and modern prints at Christie's includes a series of tributes to fellow artists by David Hockney such as a hirsute Richard Hamilton (£1,500 to £2,500), and a frail Man Ray (£5,000 to £7,000).

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## *Collector*

# Of specs and the speculator

TAKE a pair of sparkling spectacles, with black plastic frames and thick lenses, of a type first marketed in the late 1950s.

Worn by an ageing Hank Marvin or a preppy City investor, they would have no value other than to their myopic owners. But the visual aids in question once belonged to Buddy Holly, one of the fathers of rock, whose stardom was cut short when he died in a plane crash in 1959, aged 22. They will be sold, along with numerous mothball-scented V-neck sweaters, shirts and shoes, by Buddy's widow, Maria, at Sotheby's New York tonight. No one knows what they will fetch, although Sotheby's have placed a tentative estimate of £5,000.

Before the calculators get going, however, a number of factors must be considered which are of relevance to an assessment of the strange market known as entertainment memorabilia. Like fans themselves, it can be fickle.

Plus points include the fact that Buddy Holly is of unquestionable importance to the history of rock. "Peggy Sue" and "That'll be the Day" are party staples to this day. In terms of sartorial history, Holly altered our attitude to the handicap of poor sight. "Buddy made it OK to wear glasses," John Lennon once wrote. In the 1970s, Elvis Costello relaunched the Buddy Holly square frame, making it his trade mark.

The glassy look: Buddy Holly wearing his famous spectacles

Minus points, however, include the fact that Holly was never noted for his charisma. Making the charts is no guarantee of survival in the auction rooms, as Gene Pitney and Englebert Humperdinck would vouch. Despite his skills as a survivor, Cliff Richard, has always been what the specialists call "soft".

Arguably, Buddy Holly's continuing hold on our consciousness is less to do with his talents than the determination of Paul McCartney, the former Beatle, who bought all Buddy's publishing rights and relaunched him in the 1970s.

Where does all this leave those glasses and their investment value?

The pair on offer are not the ones Buddy wore on the day of that fateful aircrash. Those were dredged out of a lake in Iowa, and are safely in Maria's possession, following her successful legal battle for them with Buddy's mother.

Mrs Holly says her husband had a number of pairs of spectacles. "Buddy was wearing them all the time. He was blind as a bat."

WHEN a given cast-off is expected to command a big price, the auction houses go to great trouble to obtain affidavits from vendors. But, who will be interested a generation from now? Think of all those hats supposedly thrown by Michael Jackson into swooning audiences. Is their destiny an Oxfam shop?

Another shadow on the sale was the recent, disastrous auction of Buddy Holly memorabilia, offered by an American fan, David Howery, at Phillips in London. Casualties included a pair of glasses.

Only in the field of entertainment memorabilia do cast-off garments have a competitive market at all. Where else would a leather whip sell for £800, unless it was "Frank-n-Furter's wicked whip from the Rocky Horror Show"? Where else would a successful bidder for a ripped denim shirt worn by Pete Townshend of The Who in 1986, solemnly strip down in the saleroom, replace the shirt he was wearing with his purchase, and then walk tall out of the room?

There are two committed dealers in the field: Plastic Wax Records and Vinyl Experience. Devotees prepared to pay the auction prices which make the headlines can be counted on one hand: the Hard Rock café, the Museum of the Moving Image, and Bill Wyman, of the Rolling Stones.

For the rest of us with a few hundred pounds to spare, the best prospect is Beatles memorabilia, which is the staple of the entire market.

"It is the safest investment because it is closest to the artist," according to Christie's expert, Carey Wallace.

● *Property from the estate of Buddy Holly. Sotheby's New York today (0101 212 606 7424).*

## *At Large*

AN advertisement in the *Antiques Trade Gazette* offers a reward "for information leading to the recovery" of George the Bearded, Duke of Saxony, a portrait by Lucas Cranach the Elder. The contact number given was answered by security at Christie's who have another Cranach for sale on July 6: the Electors of Saxony, estimated at £2.5 million.

## *Portrait*

# In the chicken runs

TIMOTHY Blencowe, the most popular image maker at the Slade School higher diploma show, is counting his chickens. By lunchtime on the opening day he had sold six witty etchings of them at around £120 each.

"Because chickens are such funny animals, they can be used for parodies on human existence," he says.

He shows them at various anthropomorphic pursuits in *Chicken city*. In *Chickened out*, the bird appears to have been run-over, while a figure representing Mr Blencowe stalks away. Interested parties should buy quickly — the chicken phase is apperently almost over.

It is an achievement for a student from the Slade, which holds out against commerce, to sell work. As a result, its display is of mind-numbing amateurism. Keith Wilson has attached a caption bearing his name beside a double light switch. The best paintings by one of the best artists, Mei-Song Wu, are not for sale.

Bird fancy: Timothy Blencowe, with one his chicken etchings

The Slade student with the most impressive combination of quiet professionalism and profundity is Ben Singleton, whose subject is the portrayal of human stoicism in the face of personal disaster. His work includes boys choking on coal-dust, and a girl forced to work as a prostitute.

● *Slade School of Fine Art, University College London, Gower Street, WC1 (071 387 7050). Closes today.*

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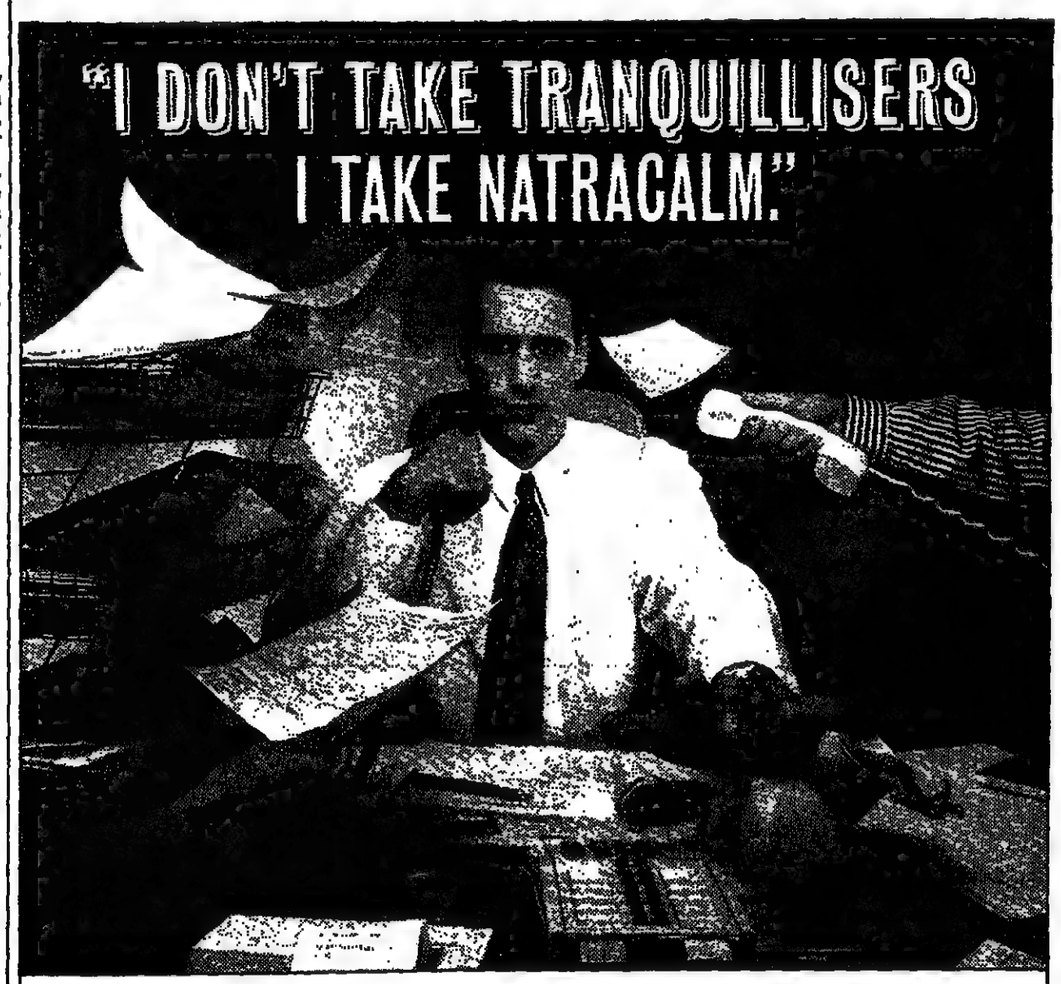

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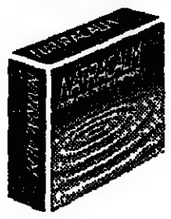

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| Wed 27 Jun 7.45 | **BEETHOVEN: SYMPHONY No. 9** The Hanover Band and Chorus, Roy Goodman (cond/dir) Lynda Russell, Carolyn Watkinson, Andrew Murgatroyd, Michael George. Prog also incl Beethoven Kyrie, Credo, Agnus Dei (Missa Solemnis) £14, £11.50, £9 (ONLY) Hanover Band |
| Thu 28 Jun 7.45 | **TEL AVIV QUARTET** and **ELI ERAN.** Mozart Clarinet Trio K.498; Beethoven Trio in B flat Op 11; Brahms Piano Quartet No 1 in G minor Op 25. Please note change of programme. £15.50, £13.50, £10.50, £8.50, £5.50 British Israel Arts Foundation |
| Fri 29 Jun 7.15 | **THE COMPLETE BRANDENBURGS** Consort of London, Robert Clark (cond) Piers Adams (recorder) Sarah Brook (flute) Julia Girdwood, Hilary Storer (oboes) Richard Blastil, Steven Stirling (horns) David Duritz (vln) Virginia Black (hrpschd). £12, £10, £8, £6.50, £4 Manygate Mgt |

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| Thu 28 Jun 8.00 | **ANTHONY HALLIDAY** (piano) Handel Suite in F min; Beethoven Fantasia Op 77 Son in F min Op 57 (Appassionata); Lennox Berkeley Son Op 20; Liszt Harmonies du Soir (Etudes d'exécution No 11); Saint-Saëns Toccata (from 6 études Op 111) £7.50, £5.50, £4 Anthony Halliday |
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| Sunday 24 June 11.30 am | **LINDSAY QUARTET/PATRICK IRELAND** viola Coffee Concert/Bohemian Festival. Dvorák Morning. Terzetto in C Op 74. String Quintet in E flat Op. 97. £4 including programme & coffee/sherry/juice. |
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| Tuesday 26 June 7.30 pm | **LENNOX BERKELEY MEMORIAL.** John Drummond speaker. Webster / Paxton / Dowdle / Wyn-Rogers / Hill / Wilson-Johnson / Mattinson / Parnassus / Cleobury / Kreutzer Quartet / Max / Solomon / Bell / Jacobson. Ravel: Intro & Allegro. Berkeley: Stabat Mater, Duo (vc/pf) 2nd Quartet, Autumn's Legacy Chinese Songs. £10, £8, £6, £4 Park Lane Group PLC |
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| Thursday 28 June 7.30 pm | **NEW BUDAPEST QUARTET.** Schubert: Quartettsatz in C minor D703, Beethoven: Quartet in C Op. 59 No 3 "Rasumovsky"; Quartet in F Op. 59 No 1 "Rasumovsky". £8, £7, £6, £5 Goddard Concert Trust/Sue Lubbock Concert Management |
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| Saturday 30 June 7.30 pm | **GABRIELI QUARTET. MIKHAIL RUDY** piano. International Chamber Music Series. Haydn: Quartet in D minor Op. 42, Mendelssohn: Quartet in A minor Op. 13; Brahms: Piano Quartet in G minor Op. 25. £9, £7.50, £6, £4.50 HoM |
| Sunday 1 July 11.30 am | **NEW BUDAPEST QUARTET. Coffee Concert/Bohemian Festival.** Haydn: String Quartet in D Op. 64 No. 5 "The Lark". Beethoven: Quartet No. 10 in E flat Op. 74 "The Harp". £4 including programme & coffee/sherry/juice. |
| Sunday 1 July NB: starting time: 7 pm | **NASH ENSEMBLE.** Duncan Prescott clarinet, Marcia Crayford, Jacqueline Shave violins, Roger Chase viola, Christopher van Kampen cello PUCCINI: I Crisantemi, WEBER: Clarinet Quintet in B flat Op 34 MOZART: Clarinet Quintet in A K581 £8, £7, £6, £5 Management: Amelia Freedman M.B.E. |
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| Thursday 5 July 7.30 pm | **SUK QUARTET.** Bohemian Festival. Haydn: Quartet in G Op 3 No 2; Bach: Quartet No. 1 in B flat Op 11; Meditation on an old Czech hymn "St. Wenceslas" Op. 35a, Dvorák: Quartet No. 14 in A flat Op. 105. £9, £7.50, £6, £4.50 HoM |
| Friday 6 July 7.30 pm | **NAOKO YOSHINO** harp. Spohr: Fantasia Op. 35, CPE Bach: Sonata in G, Fauré: Une Chatelaine en sa Tour Op. 110, Salzedo: Vars on a Theme in Ancient Style, Britten: Suite Op. 83, Khatchaturian: Danse orientale, Toccata, Tournier: The Magical Aviary, Ravel: Danse des Lutins £7, £6, £5, £4 United Concerts |

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TELEVISION

# Humility is the new goal

ONCE, not so long ago, half the pleasure of watching the World Cup lay in admiring the antics of the studio experts. Would Brian Clough admit to being less than omniscient? Would Malcolm Allison come to blows with George Best? Would Derek Dougan ever find a tie that was less than six inches wide?

The coverage this year has been much more subdued. Sober presentation and factual analysis are the order of the day. No one becomes too emotional or outspoken. The atmosphere is occasionally too business-like, but there is also a refreshing lack of nationalist hysteria. Perhaps it is a result of the approach of 1992. Or perhaps, after Hillsborough, television executives have, belatedly, discovered that football is only a game after all.

The fact that no British team has reached the final in nearly a quarter of a century must also count for something. In the past, commentators behaved as if the World Cup was merely on long-term loan to foreigners. This year, I detected a trace of humility.

So far, there is little to choose between the BBC and ITV programmes, even down to their muted set designs. The Corporation, of course, always has an extra ounce of *gravitas* when it comes to occasions such as this. Using Puccini's "Nessun dorma" as the theme music was an astute decision, though whoever had the idea of playing insistent pop music under recorded footage should think again. Desmond Lynam and Jimmy Hill are easily lampooned, but they do convey an unhurried sense of authority.

The ITV side — captained by a relaxed Nick Owen — possesses most of the real characters. Rodney Marsh has the look of a man who has slipped in from another late night at the disco. Emlyn Hughes displays a weighty medallion and plays his usual knockabout role as spokesman for the man on the terraces. By comparison, the BBC's former professionals seem over-formal.

This week's games gave the commentators little cause for excitement. There was more drama in the scenes of Bobby Robson's farewell lunch with his tormentors from the Press. During the matches, one can always pass the time in wondering why a computer company should receive a credit simply for displaying the score-line, a clock and a pair of flags, and why the commentators are so reluctant to use the obvious word to describe the pre-meditated foul play which marred so many of the games. It used to be called cheating.

CLIVE DAVIS

DANCE

# One mighty leap into the Garden

**Irek Mukhamedov, pride of the Bolshoi, joins the Royal Ballet next season. He tells John Percival the reasons for his decision**

When Irek Mukhamedov decided the time had come to move on from the Bolshoi Ballet, he could have had his pick of the world's leading companies. Almost 30 years ago, Rudolf Nureyev joined the Royal Ballet, but since then the ballet stars who left Russia (Makarova, Baryshnikov, Godunov, Ruzimatov) have all gone to America. So why did Mukhamedov choose Covent Garden?

"I have to say that I had never seen the Royal Ballet perform," he says in a carefully considered reply delivered through an interpreter. "When I was on tour here, they were away. But I have danced all over the world, and I like Europe. I like London. And of course, the Royal Ballet, Covent Garden, the name meant something. It is known, like the Bolshoi.

"Now I have been to see *Romeo and Juliet*, which I thought showed a good standard. Also, before I left Moscow, I saw a video in a friend's apartment. I arrived just after it had started, so I did not see the titles. As I watched, I thought 'this is a very professional company, an interesting ballet, and that girl is amazing'. At the end I saw that it was the Royal Ballet: *The Prince of the Pagodas* with Darcey Bussell."

So it is fitting that Mukhamedov will make his début with the Royal Ballet on August 1, partnering Bussell in a new *pas de deux* which Kenneth MacMillan, the choreographer of *Pagodas*, is making for them to Tchaikovsky's music. Is he going to have as much effect on the company as Rudolf Nureyev, his fellow Tartar, once did? I imagine not, at least as far as technique is concerned, because British male dancers today are of a much higher standard than when Nureyev arrived at Covent Garden.

Asked for first impressions of his new colleagues, Mukhamedov says: "I do not see much weakness. I think I am not much different from them. The men can jump, beat, turn. Not only the principals, but among the young dancers I see some good talent. Of course, this is in class. We shall have to see what happens on stage."

Once Mukhamedov gets on stage, the effect is likely to be explosive. A big man, strongly-built with a big personality too, he approaches his roles like an actor. Although he is associated most closely with Spartacus, his favourite role is Ivan the Terrible. That is a part in which his brooding presence and powerful acting are as impressive as his whirling leaps.

His theatrical quality has developed over many years, a fact that could explain why he was not recruited immediately into the Bolshoi Ballet when he graduated at 18. He grew up in Kazan, in the south of Russia, and began dancing at five in the local Palace of Pioneers ("not professionally," he adds, with a deprecating smile).

At 10, he moved to Moscow and the Bolshoi school, then joined the Moscow Classical Ballet, a second division company which has made two British tours.

There, he says, he might dance a solo one night and be in the *corps de ballet* the next. He danced "all the repertoire except *The Creation of the World*, I think," but his most notable roles were in *Gayane*, *Romeo and Juliet* (as both Romeo and Tybalt), and particularly in a ballet by Kasatkina and Vasiliov, the company's directors, to Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring*.

After three years there, his big break came when he entered an international ballet competition in Moscow at the urging of his teacher, Naum Azarin. Did he expect to win? "Niet! I thought I should get something, but not the gold medal and the grand prix. It was like a thunderbolt."

Yuri Grigorovich, artistic director of the Bolshoi Ballet, was president of the jury. The result was that Mukhamedov quickly joined the Bolshoi as a principal dancer, making his début as Spartacus. "At 21, I was the youngest ever to dance that role, and at first I was thinking about the technique, just getting through it all, but then I began finding out about the character.

"I think the most valuable part of my experience with the Bolshoi was the opportunity to work on roles by Grigorovich which are concerned with acting too. Even in his *Nutcracker*, it is a kind of fairytale, but there is a philosophy there. When I joined, we started work at once on *The Golden Age*. It was the first role created for me, and a great experience."

It was also, until now, the last role created for him. Although he is politely reticent about his reasons for leaving the Bolshoi, it is impossible not to think that, although he danced many roles there, the requirement to perform just a few of them over and over again on the Bolshoi's many tours must have been a factor. He says only that he had "a mixture of motives" and he thinks "it is chiefly something to do with growing up. I have some experience and some maturity and now is the time to use it."

Another motive, he proudly admits, is that he will become a father soon. "I want my baby to be brought up in normal conditions, not having to worry about where to get food and clothes."

So now, at 30, after nine years of stardom, he makes a new start as a dancer and a family man. Masha, his wife, is a dancer. Will she dance again? "We shall have to see what happens. Perhaps it depends on how many babies we have. Now I have to earn some money and buy a house."

DOIS JENSON

Irek Mukhamedov's move is "to do with growing up. I have some experience and some maturity"

Sylvie Guillem, tempestuous talent: Saturday Review, p16

CONCERTS

## Judith triumphans
St James's, Piccadilly

WHEN he wrote *Judith triumphans* in 1716, Vivaldi did not so much have in mind a dramatic entertainment as a piece through which to rally the spirits of his fellow Venetians, engaged in the war against the Turks. Not surprisingly, the oratorio's long sequence of arias — 28 of them — can therefore seem like a tedious ritual in these peaceful times, though in this performance, part of the Lufthansa Festival of Baroque Music, conductor Ivor Bolton's purpose was clearly to inject the work with dynamism. There was, indeed, a palpable tension when the moment came for Judith to sever Holofernes's head, but it had been a long wait.

Vivaldi's style in this work has much in common with Handel's slightly earlier Italian manner. One point of contact is the colourful instrumentation, with obbligatos for mandolin, for something called a salmoe (Nicholas Anderson's notes told us this was an obsolete woodwind instrument of uncertain nature, and I think we heard a chalumeau instead), and in one aria for the lovely combination of two violins and two violas.

Another is the ingenuity of some of the musical symbolism. For instance, when Holofernes falls in love with his enemy, his aria is a confused alternation of major and minor tonalities. Less subtle pictorial effects, such as rushing scales for tempests, or wide intervals for uncertainty, also abound, but they are often invested with striking originality of harmony, line and texture and were relished here by the St James's Baroque Players and Singers.

But a performance of this piece stands or falls on the quality of its singers. Although by no means always unblemished in matters of interpretative conviction, this one had a strong cast, headed by Diana Montague as Judith. She controlled both voice and dramatic pacing astutely, singing with a sometimes disturbing modesty in part one, but emerging in full, noble glory by the end.

Holofernes was assigned to the contralto of Louise Winter, whose voice is perhaps better suited to later music, but who conveyed well both the hardness of a warrior and the vulnerability of a lovesick man. Of the supporting roles, Catherine Wyn-Rogers as Ozias showed a rich, very strong contralto and the dramatic sensibility to go with it; Lorna Anderson's soprano garnished the role of Abra with a well-focused and stylish lightness, and Susan Bickley invested the part of Vagans with some brilliant coloratura singing.

STEPHEN PETTITT

## RPO/Previn
Festival Hall

THE myth that Elgar can be interpreted well only by British conductors is still heard, despite the superb performances which Solti, Haitink and (more recently) Slatkin have obtained over the years. In fact, the notion that his music "runs in our blood" is probably sentimental tosh.

The truth is rather that Elgar's scores need to gel exactly if they are to sound any good at all. Their rubato style is too subtle, their fluctuations between moods too fleeting and their orchestral textures too detailed to give up their secrets easily to newcomers. British conductors generally take Elgar more seriously than foreigners, so they spend the time to make his music work.

André Previn has shown, in past decades, that a cool and sane temperament is well-suited to the interpreting of late-romantic English music. But on Thursday, conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in the first concert of an Elgar/Brahms series, he produced truly grisly accounts of Elgar's *Cockaigne* overture and *Enigma Variations*. The detailed work had simply not been done.

*Cockaigne* comes alive, and its portrait of perky Edwardian London becomes vividly realised when a conductor is prepared to coax the various tableaux out of one another, so the music is both episodic and yet of one majestic sweep. Previn merely travelled blandly through the town like a hansom cab with the blinds down.

Other problems marred the *Enigma*. The starts of some movements were casual beyond belief; the instrumental balances lazily weighted in favour of heavy brass and percussion; the chording in "Nimrod" was like water slopping from a bucket. The pity was that, once in a while, the sun peeped through: delicate variations were sometimes played with piquant charm.

Brahms's Violin Concerto was not altogether free of the evening's pervasive ennui, but its soloist, Viktoria Mullova, did at least bring some sense of high-class adventure to the proceedings. She still favours an austere platform appearance, and her playing will never be considered skittish, but it has acquired much more character in the five years that she has been on the Western circuit.

Here, Mullova displayed a beautifully sweet timbre, exceptional accuracy and a classical poise that was, nevertheless, full of bold nuances, especially in the cadenzas and in the slow movement. In this, phrases were left, half-questioning, hanging in the air. In the context of the evening's other performances, this was music-making of considerable imagination.

RICHARD MORRISON

# Unkind truth of saint's tale

THEATRE

## Bernadette
Dominion

STEPHEN Potter once advised an author wanting to disarm the critics to dedicate his book to "X, in the hope he will regain God's glorious gift of sight". The publicity for The People's Musical, as *Bernadette* has dubbed itself, seems calculated similarly to undo its reviewers.

Ordinary punters, 2,000 of them, have reportedly dug into their savings to cover its costs. The husband-and-wife team responsible for the words and music, Maureen and Gwyn Hughes, have struggled for years against awesome odds to get the show produced. Yes, and the subject is a saint whose story it seems vaguely blasphemous to resist.

Oh dear. On Thursday night I caught myself wishing I was in a kindlier trade, such as whaling or seal-culling, for my message must be that The People should have gambled their hard-earned loot on something surer of success, such as the United Arab Emirates winning the World Cup.

The trouble starts with Lourdes itself: in Ernest Maxin's production the kind of frolicsome village that exists only in musicals. Led by a somersaulting beggar, a sanitised peasantry leaps and bounds about its square. Before long, ladies are prancing with flower-baskets, moppets are singing cheeky songs, and fast women are dancing with waiters on tables while a fat cook chases a comic policeman with a rolling pin.

Enter Natalie Wright's sweet Bernadette Soubirous, exuding over-miked fragility. Unfortunately, the authors have no more to say about her than that she saw a vision, here a smoky light with a Cheshire Cat smile, oddly ensconced in a giant pumice-stone; that she divided her community into sceptics and supporters; that she won over her inexhaustibly agonised mum and perhaps even the frock-coated figure who stalks obscurely round the stage, informing Bernadette "I wish I'd never set eyes on you/I wish I'd never heard the name Soubirous". Clarity is not the show's strength.

Nor is the sub-plot with which the authors desperately try to vary their tale. This involves a father's attempts to prevent his doting daughter marrying a hero who repetitively sings things like "the sun may fade, the seas run dry/But my love will never die". I sympathised with the father, and not just because he was played so staidly it was impossible to see why everyone thought him drunk. Who would want a son-in-law capable of such rhymes?

Alas, both rhymes and characterisation are typical of the evening, while the music, with its soaring violins and samey rhythms, seems hardly more sophisticated than the Hums of Pooh, and probably less tuneful.

The programme tells us the composers once "got a song into the running for the Eurovision Song Contest". Good luck to them. Success there seems more likely than in the theatre.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

DONALD COOPER

Natalie Wright as the visionary girl in *Bernadette*

OPERA

## A Midsummer Night's Dream
RNCM, Manchester

THESE days it is hardly fashionable to present operas in a way the composer might have expected, but a college is a good place to risk breaking with fashion to give the students a sense of how things began. Joseph Ward actually sang in the first performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*; his production at the Royal Northern College is thoroughly traditional, down to the detail of using the beautiful designs that John Piper made for the Royal Opera in 1961. As the actual midsummer evening wore on, Britten's music (aided by Philip Edwards' sensitive lighting) worked its magic in a way that was haunting and authentic.

There was a second risk: choosing a student conductor. Christopher Gayford is, admittedly, a student with considerable professional experience, but it was nevertheless astonishing how well he balanced the work's delicate textures and drew much distinguished playing from the orchestra. Particularly in Act II — which is in any case the core of the work — he created a splendidly modulated flow, in which every detail seemed perfectly in place.

Among the serious roles, it was easy to welcome the ringing tenor of John Daszak's Lysander, Diana McNeillis as an impressively passionate Hermia, Paul Whelan's nicely controlled baritone as Demetrius, and a warm, heroic bass from Wyn Griffiths as Theseus. On the opening night, Simon Clulow's Oberon and Susan Roper's Tytania showed signs of nerves, though they had an expressively athletic and clear Puck in Paul Westhead.

As so often, though, it was the rude mechanicals who stole the show. Their slapstick had the virtue of being funny without going over the top. John Swannock, Neil Griffiths, Trevor Swann and Stephen Allen all contributed well, making a fine context for what were perhaps the two most mature and rounded performances: Michael Bennett effortlessly and sweetly handling Peter Pears's old role of Flute, and Andrew Slater who, as Bottom, showed absolute mastery.

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# SATURDAY'S TELEVISION & RADIO

## BBC 1

6.40 Open University: Pure Maths — Dodecahedral Group 7.05 Data Models and Databases
7.30 Playdays *presented by Dave* Benson Phillips (r)
7.50 Muppet Babies. They decide to perform their own version of *Snow White* (r)
8.15 *The 8.15 from Manchester*. The guests include Daley Thompson, folk group Skomorokhi and River City People. There is also an opportunity to train at the Space Camp in America *and a preview of the new Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles* video 10.52 Weather
10.55 Grandstand introduced by Bob Wilson. The line-up is: 11.00, 1.40 and *3.45 Cricket: third day's play in the* second Test at Lord's between England and New Zealand. The action is described by Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister; 1.00 News; 1.10 Motor *Racing: highlights of last week's* Le Mans, 1.55, 2.25, 2.55 and 3.30 Racing from Ascot: 2.10, 2.35, 3.05 and 3.45. The commentators are Peter O'Sullevan, Julian Wilson and *Jimmy Lindley; Tennis: the singles* final of the Pilkington Glass ladies' championships from Eastbourne. Dan Maskell and Virginia Wade provide the commentary
5.05 *News with Moira Stuart*. Weather
5.15 Regional news and sport
5.20 Bugs Bunny. Cartoon fun with the world's most intelligent rabbit
5.30 The Flying Doctors. More mobile medical meanderings with Australia's airborne medics. This week the docs help out an old man who has been confined to an old people's home by his wicked daughter intent on selling his successful cattle ranch to one George Baxter. The old man, with another elderly inmate of the home, decides to get back to the ranch as quickly as possible to stop the sale. *(Ceefax)*
6.15 That's Showbusiness. Mike Smith presents the quiz show that testsknowledge of the world of entertainment. Kenny Everett is joined by entertainer Richard Digance and, hoping to put one over her mother who captains the other side, Caron Keating. Gloria Hunniford has Frazer Hines of *Emmerdale* and actress Nyree Dawn Porter in support. (Ceefax)
6.45 The Les Dennis Laughter Show. The BBC continues to flirt with the Trades Description Act with this misnamed series. (Ceefax)
7.15 Takeover Bid. Bruce Forsyth and Claire Sutton with another edition of the limp game show in which three people are given prizes to start with and then have to answer questions correctly to keep them. (Ceefax)
7.45 World Cup Grandstand. Live from the Stadio Nuovo Comunale in Bari, the game between Czechoslovakia and Costa Rica, introduced by Desmond Lynam. This evening's transmission sees the start of what for many is the competition proper, as it enters the knock-out stage. Plus the highlights from today's other second phase game between Cameroon and Colombia.
10.00 News with Nicholas Witchell. Weather
10.20 Casualty. Internal dramas threaten to upstage the plight of the sick and wounded in another episode of the fine hospital series. The press scandal involving Holby casualty intensifies. Megan is nervous about her interview with the general manager, which could lead to displinary action, and Charlie is increasingly disillusioned with his administrative role. Starring Brenda Fricker, Derek Thompson and Cathy Shipton (r). (Ceefax)
11.10 Film: Enigma (1983) starring Martin Sheen, Sam Neill and Brigitte Fossey, with Frank Finlay, Derek Jacobi and Michael Lonsdale. It is a bit of an enigma why this film was ever made. Dated even before recent events in Eastern Europe rendered it obsolete, the film's main fault is a confused script which even such an all-star cast (miscast almost to a man) cannot kick into life. Martin Sheen plays an expatriate American broadcaster sent into East Berlin to steal a scrambling device to forestall a plot to murder Soviet dissidents. It is symptomatic of the confusion and silliness of the plot that Enigma was the name of the German encoding device stolen by the Allies in the second world war — a fact which appears to have escaped the makers. Directed by Jeannot Szwarc. (Ceefax)
12.50am Weather

## ITV LONDON

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Ghost Train. Among the guests are *Emmerdale* actors Ronald McGill and Stan Richards, Kristian Schmid from *Neighbours* and pop stars Kim Wilde and Yazz
11.30 The ITV Chart Show. The Vintage Video features Meatloaf
12.30 Huckleberry Finn and His Friends.
1.00 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather 1.05 LWT News and weather
1.10 Saint and Greavsie. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves discuss England and the Republic of Ireland's World Cup progress and Scotland's lack of it
1.50 International Rugby. Highlights of the game between New Zealand and Scotland
2.50 Coronation Street (r)
3.45 World Cup 90. Live coverage of the first second stage game between Cameroon and Colombia from the San Paolo Stadium, Naples
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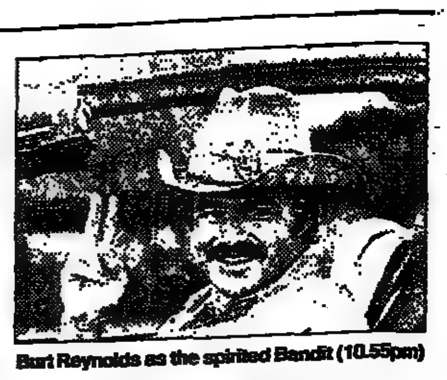
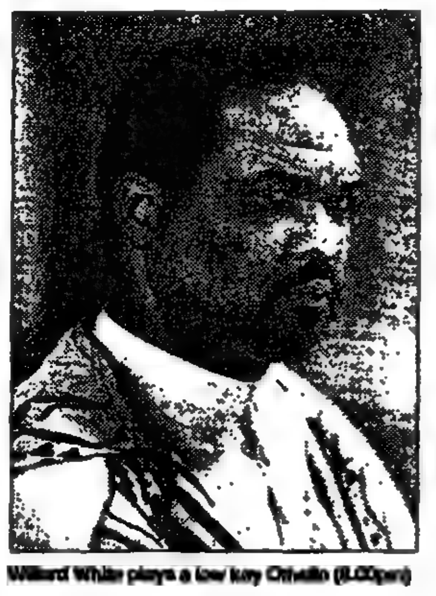
6.00 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather 6.10 LWT News and weather
6.15 Cannon and Ball's Casino. Tommy and Bobby invite viewers to enjoy more of their own brand of comedy
7.00 It's Beadle. The first in a new series in which Jeremy Beadle persuades members of the public to make fools of themselves
7.30 The Two of Us. Weak sitcom about a couple with different outlooks on life (r). (Oracle)
8.00 Film: Ashanti (1979) starring Michael Caine, Peter Ustinov and Rex Harrison. Implausible adventure tale about a female doctor working in West Africa who is kidnapped by white slave traders. Directed by Richard Fleischer.
10.05 News with Sue Carpenter, sport and weather 10.20 LWT Weather
10.25 Hale and Pace. Comedy (r)
10.55 Film: Smokey and the Bandit II (1980) starring Burt Reynolds, Jackie Gleason and Sally Field. Big Enos Burdette, hoping to find a way to blackmail the state governor in order to further his own political ambitions, enlists the help of former bootlegger, the Bandit. Directed by Hal Needham


Burt Reynolds as the spirited Bandit (10.55pm)

12.45am Tour of Duty. Vietnam war drama
1.45 Film: S*H*E (1980) *starring Omar* Sharif, Cornelia Sharpe and Anita Ekberg. A James Bond-type yarn *about a woman superspy who tackles the suave boss of an international crime syndicate. Directed by Robert* Lewis
3.30 T and T. New adventure series about a private eye and a rookie lawyer. Starring Mr T and Alex Amini
4.00 *The Hit Man and Her*
5.00 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00

## BBC 2

6.50 Open University: Networks and *Matrices 7.15 Care in the Community* 7.40 Geology: Interpreting Sediments 8.05 Fundamentals of Computing 8.30 All Change for System X 8.55 Learning through *Interactive Video 9.20 Religion:* Sikhs in Britain 9.45 *Measure for Measure* Workshop 10.10 Images: Lens Design 10.35 Sugar Takes Root 11.00 Managing Schools. The Power of the Purse 11.25 *The Evolution of Plant* Breeding Systems 11.50 Open Lecture: Teaching and Research 12.15 Special Education in Norway 12.40 Piaget in Perspective 1.05 Education: *From Theory to Therapy 1.30* Modernism: Bolshevik Art 1.55 Culture and Belief in Europe 1450-1600 2.20 Housing in Birmingham
2.45 Mahabharat. Episode 11 of the 91-part dramatisation of India's famous epic poem. King Kans sets about murdering his sister's children, after a prediction that one will be responsible for his own death. The first six sons are easy to deal with, but not so the seventh. Goga Kappor stars as the King. In Hindi with English sub-titles
3.25 *Film: It Started in Naples (1960)*. Not the World Cup again — this really is a film and the stars Clark Gable, Sophia Loren and Vittorio de Sica do not even look at a football. It is a *conventional romantic comedy with* Clark Gable playing Clark Gable and Sophia Loren keeping the edifice afloat with some serious gushing. The two are at loggerheads over the future of an orphan child. Gable is a Philadelphia lawyer in town to sort out his late brother's estate, and shocked to find that the child is his nephew. After learning that Loren dances in a night-club, the correct Gable decides the child should accompany him back to the US to escape her malign influence. But Loren has other ideas. Directed by Melville Shavelson
5.00 Cricket: Second Test. Tony Lewis *introduces live coverage of the closing* session of the third day's play at Lord's between England and New Zealand. Commentary is by Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister, with *summaries from Ray Illingworth, Tom* Graveney and Geoffrey Boycott
6.30 Astor Piazzola — Tango Nuevo. The veteran Argentinian virtuoso on the bandoneon — or button accordion — *gives his barn-storming first* performance in the UK recorded last year. Piazzolla performs six tangos, with the New Tango Sextet — Daniel Binelli, Gerardo Gandini, Jose Bragato, Hector Console and Horatio Malvicino — giving a display of undulating rhythms and melody
7.15 NewsView. The day's main stories presented by Moira Stuart. Lynette Lithgow reviews the main stories of the week, with sub-titles for the hard-of-hearing. Followed by Weather
8.00 Theatre Night: Othello.
● Trevor Nunn's Royal Shakespeare Company production, which played to enthusiastic houses at Stratford and London last year, was designed for a small theatre and could almost have been designed for the small screen. This is an intimate reading of the play, elevating the private over the public and trapping the characters in its single, sparsely decorated set which stands for both Venice and Cyprus. The intimacy is underlined by the camera, which goes in close to pick up the subtleties of expression and gesture. Making, like Paul Robeson before him, the transition from opera, *Willard* White is a relatively low key Othello dominated by Ian McKellen's Iago. The same can be said for the production as a whole. Playing Iago with a flat northern accent, McKellen creates a performance full of inventive detail in which simple frustration turns relentlessly to hatred. Imogen Stubbs is a fine Desdemona. The main reservation is that in trying to not to overplay, the cast tends sometimes to mumble. Olivier's Moor may be mocked nowadays as a black and white minstrel but every syllable came across sharp and clear (Ceefax)


Willard White plays a low key Othello (8.00pm)

11.40 Cricket: Second Test. Richie Benaud with highlights of the third day's play in the game at Lord's between England and New Zealand
12.10am *Tennis. Highlights of the final of* the Pilkington Glass ladies' singles championship from Devonshire Park, Eastbourne. Introduced by Helen Rollason with commentary by Dan Maskell, John Barrett and Virginia Wade. Ends at 12.55

## CHANNEL 4

6.00 Comic Book 7.30 International *Times 8.00* Transworld Sport 9.00 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line
9.25 Australian Rules Football.
10.30 Listening Eye: What Is Deaf Culture? Celebrating the achievements and work of the British Deaf Association (r)
11.00 Check Out. Consumer issues (r). (Oracle)
11.30 Wagon Train (b/w). Vintage Western adventures starring Ward Bond
12.30 California Off Beat. Exploring the quirkier aspects of California that make it the place it is today
1.00 Equinox: The Defender. Bob Diemart is a Canadian with a dream. He believes that through his aeronautical brilliance he can create a revolutionary fighter plane and hopes to pay for his project by renovating old second world war planes for men with more money than sense. But is he the genius he claims to be? (r)
2.00 *Film: Pick a Star* (1937, b/w). Starring Patsy Kelly, Jack Haley and Rosina Lawrence. A young woman wins a singing contest and her boyfriend heads off for Hollywood to try to set *her on her path to stardom. A standard* plot enlivened by excellent cameos from Laurel and Hardy. Directed by Edward Sedgwick.
3.20 Le Tombeau de Lumiere. Animated look at the triumphs of early cinematographers
3.25 Film: Thanks a Million (1935, b/w) starring Dick Powell, Ann Dvorak and Fred Allen. Entertaining tale of a singer who discovers he can captivate crowds and is persuaded by his manager to take up politics. He then discovers what a crooked business it is. Directed by Roy Del Ruth
5.05 Brookside Omnibus edition (r). (Oracle)
6.00 Right To Reply presented by Brian Hayes
6.30 Gallery. Joining George Melly for the last in the series of this quiz show for art fans are regular captains Maggi Hambling and Frank Whitford and guests Glynn Williams (head of *sculpture at Wimbledon College of Art*), Anne Lydiat (artist), Andrew Brown (director of the 369 Gallery in Edinburgh) and James Birch of the Birch and Conran Gallery, Soho.
7.00 The World This Week Followed by Weather
8.00 Kingdom of the Deep: People of the Sea.
● The "people of the sea" are seals, captured off the Western Isles of Scotland by the skilled photography of Tony and Liz Bomford. Unlike many wildlife documentaries, this one (from Anglia's *Survival* series previously shown on ITV) does not set out to make a point. The seals are not in danger of being clubbed to death and are not that favourite subject of television programmes, the threatened species. They live and eat and multiply and the Bomfords show us how they do it, comparing common seals with grey seals, and getting their cameras well below water where the interesting footage has to be shot. Since the water is almost opaque, *the technical difficulties* were formidable. They were overcome with special lighting and other wizardry. Starting as observers, the Bomfords *became participants* when they took under their wing an "orphan" seal pup which had lost its mother and fed it with sprats and herrings until it was ready to go its own way
*9.00 thirtysomething. Critically acclaimed* and also disclaimed American comedy/drama series, focusing on a group of people who have reached their mid-thirties. (Oracle)
10.00 Film: Au Hasard, Balthasar (1966, b/w).
● The cinema's most famous film about a donkey is directed by Robert Bresson, which is a sure indication that the creature has much more than an animal significance. The weight of symbolism carried by Balthazar is so considerable that it sometimes threatens to pull the film out of focus. Bresson's rigorous construction invariably provides the corrective. *Au Hasard, Balthasar* escapes the austere claustrophobia of other Bresson pictures by being filmed on lyrical Alpine locations, although these only serve to point the contrast with the brutality of the human environment of which the donkey becomes an *unwitting victim. Entering the story as* the pet of two children, *Balthasar*

François Lafarge and pet donkey (10.00pm)

weaves through the narrative with a series of good and bad owners, drawn into their virtues and vices. The film is discussed in tomorrow's *Movie Masterclass* (Channel 4, 8.00pm) by Bill Forsyth, the Scottish director of *Gregory's Girl* and *Local Hero*.
11.50 Burning Embers.
● Tony Benn and his friends get around. Tonight they are in front of the Reichstag building by the demolished Berlin Wall as they look for parallels and contrasts between the 19th-century unification of Germany under Bismarck and the new European nationalism unleashed by the collapse of the Soviet bloc. Those who have followed the series so far will have got used to the eccentric presentation of the director Rob Walker and not be distracted by it. Benn is joined by the combative British playwright *Howard Brenton* as well as figures of various political shades from west and east Germany and Czechoslovakia. They address themselves to the implications of a reunited Germany, the prospects for establishing democracy in the eastern states and the pressures to turn former state-controlled economies into free markets
12.50am Encore (1951, b/w). Three films based on short stories of W. Somerset Maugham, introduced by the author. They are The Ant and the Grasshopper starring Nigel Patrick; Winter Cruise with Kay Walsh in fine form as a talkative spinster; and Gigolo and Gigolette with Glynis Johns. Directed by, in order, Pat Jackson, Anthony *Pelissier and Harold French. Ends at* 2.30

## ITV VARIATIONS

**ANGLIA**
As London except: 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00-5.00 In the Heat of the Night.

**BORDER**
As London except: 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

**CENTRAL**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 McCartney 12.50am Gamson's Gorillas 1.50 CinemAttractions 2.25 Police Precinct 3.25 *America's Top Ten* 3.55 Baseball 4.50-5.00 Profiles.

**CHANNEL**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Supercross 12.45am Sex Symbols 1.45 Raw Power 2.45 The Twilight Zone 3.00 Wrestling 4.00-5.00 The Hit Man and Her.

**GRAMPIAN**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Am Fàsach 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

**GRANADA**
As London except: 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

**HTV WEST**
As London except: 12.50am Throb 1.20 Three's Company 1.50 Film: The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance 4.05-5.00 Bedrock. Dr Feelgood.

**HTV WALES**
As HTV West except: No Variations.

**SCOTTISH**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 McCartney 12.50am Film: The Man Who Could Cheat Death (Christopher Lee, Anton Diffring) 2.25 Film: Return of the Cisco Kid* (Warner Baxter, Lynn Bari) 3.45 The Glastonbury Festival 4.45-5.00 Jobfinder.

**TSW**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The South West Week 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

**TVS**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Supercross 12.45am X-Rated Sex Symbols 1.45 Raw Power 2.45 Night Gallery 3.00 Wrestling 4.00-5.00 The Hit Man and Her.

**TYNE TEES**
As London except: 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

**ULSTER**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Munsters Today 2.50-3.45 Best Intentions 12.50am Kojak 1.50 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 William Tell 4.30-5.00 America's Top Ten

Kim Wilde sings (ITV, 9.25am)

**YORKSHIRE**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 McCartney 1.50am The Hit Man and Her 4.00-5.00 Rags to Riches.

**S4C**
Starts: 6.00am Early Morning 9.25 Australian Rules Football 10.30 Listening Eye 11.00 Check Out 11.30 Loads More Muck and Magic! 12.00 The Running Programme *12.30 Hard News* 1.00 Athletics. Great Britain v USA v Kenya 2.00 Masterworks 2.15 Film: Hero of the People (Kamala Hassan) 5.05 Brookside 6.00 Right to Reply 6.30 The Wonder Years 7.00 The Television Village 7.30 Newyddion 7.40 Gweld Ser 8.25 Rygbi Rhyngwladol 9.00 Film on Four: A Private Function (Michael Palin, Maggie Smith) 10.50 Raymond Williams 11.50 Burning Embers 12.50 Film: Encore* (Nigel Patrick, Roland Culver) 2.30 Diwedd.

**RTE 1**
Starts: 10.35am The Puppy's Further Adventures 10.55 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century 11.50 Ritter's Cove 12.15 Adventure Bound 1.05 The Bionic Woman 2.00 News followed by African Odyssey 3.00 *Film: The Steam-Driven Adventures of* Riverboat Bill (animation) 4.25 Film: Belle Starr's Daughter (George Montgomery, Ruth Roman) 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 News 6.15 Mailbag 6.35 Fizz 7.05 The Flying Doctors 8.00 Hannay 9.00 News 9.20 Film: Lust for Life (Kirk Douglas, *Anthony Quinn*) 11.35 Film: Dillinger (Laurence Tierney, Edmund Lowe) 12.55am News 1.00 Close.

**NETWORK 2**
Starts: 12.00 Sign of the Times 12.30pm News 12.34 Sports Stadium 3.30 Italia '90. Top 8 v Third A/C/D 6.05 Perfect Strangers 6.30 Suil Thart 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 The Tracey Ullman Show 7.25 News 7.30 Italia '90- 2nd A v 2nd B 10.05 The Life and Legend of Edgar Allen Poe 11.50 Alberta Hunter 12.55am Close.

## RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW
5.00am Gary King 7.00 The Bruno and *Liz Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis* 1.00pm Adrian Juste 2.00 Out on the Dance Floor Part 3: Music is the Key: Jeff Young traces the history of discos 3.00 The Saturday Sequence 7.00 Andy Peebles Soul Train 10.00 In Concert: Sinead O'Connor recorded at the Hammersmith Odeon, London 11.00-2.00am The Saturday Rock Show

## RADIO 2

FM Stereo and MW
4.00am Dave Bussey 6.00 Graham Knight 8.05 Sounds of the Fifties 9.00 Sounds of the Sixties 10.00 Anne John Penrose 12.05pm Gerald Harper 1.30 Someone and the Grumbleweeds 2.00 Robin Ray on Record 3.00 Marian Foster 4.45 Ian Fitzroll at the console of the Wurlitzer in the Assembly Hall, Worthing 5.00 Cinema 2 5.30 Pop Score 6.00 The Duke Ellington Orchestra in Concert 7.00 String Sound 7.30 Lorna Dallas — My Musical World 8.30 Stuart Burrows Sings 9.30 Thanks for the Memory 10.05 Radio 2 Arts Programme 12.05am Stars of the Sixties 1.00-4.00 Night Ride
MW as above except: 3.25-6.00am Rugby Union: New Zealand v Scotland 1.30-6.00pm Sport on 2

## WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST
5.00am News 5.09 24 Hours 5.30 Londres Matin 5.59 Weather 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Meridian 7.00 News 7.09 24 Hours: News Summary and Financial News 7.30 From the Weeklies 8.00 News 8.09 Words of Faith 8.15 A Jolly Good Show 9.00 News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News, Sports Roundup 9.39 Sports Roundup 9.45 World Brief 10.01 Here's Humph! 10.30 Midi Magazine 10.59 Travel News 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Club 648 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Newsreel 12.15pm Multitrack 3 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 24 Hours; News Summary and Financial News 1.30 Network UK 2.01 Sportsworld (cont) 3.00 Newsreel 3.15 BBC English 3.30 Nachrichten 3.40 German Features 3.59 Travel News 4.00 News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Londres Soir 5.15 Juste Plein Madness 5.30 Heute Aktuell 6.00 German Features 6.54 Nachrichten 7.01 Whither the Weather 7.45 From the Weeklies 8.00 News 8.09 From Our Own Correspondent 8.25 Words of Faith 8.30 Meridian 9.01 Sports Roundup 9.15 Juste Plein Madness 9.30 The Chinese People Stand Up 10.00 Newshour 11.00 News 11.05 Words of Faith 11.10 Book Choice 11.15 A Jolly Good Show 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30am The Ken Bruce Show 1.01 Play of the Week: The Triumph of Tears 2.00 News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Newsreel 2.30 *The Keys to Creativity* 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent 3.30 Personal View 3.45 Nachrichten und Presseschau 4.00 German Features 4.35 News in German 4.47 Press Review 4.52 Financial Review 4.55 Weather and Travel News

## RADIO 3

6.35am Open University (FM only)
6.55 Weather and News Headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Verdi (Overture, Sicilian Vespers: LSO under Abbado); Monteverdi (Ballo, Ecco pur ch'a voi ritorno "L'Orfeo": English Baroque Soloists under Gardiner); Mozart (Divertimento in F, K 138: Salzburg Camerata under Vegh)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Johann Strauss, son (Waltz, A Thousand and One Nights: Vienna PO under Boskovsky); Grainger (My Robin is to the Greenwood Gone: Bournemouth Sinfonietta under Montgomery), Rubinstein (Valse Caprice: Leslie Howard), Ravel (Daphnis and Chloe, Suite No 2: Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under Haitink)
8.30 News
8.35 Northern Sinfonia under Gilbert Varga performs Mozart *(Overture, Cosi fan tutte)*: John Casken (Erin): Haydn (Symphony No 99 in E flat) (r)
9.30 Saturday Review (FM only from 10.55) with Richard Osborne. Record Review — Building a Library. George Pratt on Bach's Magnificat: David Fanning on new piano discs 10.40 Record Release: Mozart (Sonata in F, K 332: Andrei Gavrilov, piano): Carl Stamitz (Parthia No 1 in B flat: Consortium Classicum); Debussy (Images, Book 1: Zoltan Kocsis); Stravinsky (Concerto in D: Guildhall String Ensemble under Robert Salter, violin); 11.48 Ton Koopman talks to Nick Kenyon; 12.12 Mozart (Requiem: Soloists, Netherlands Bach Society Chorus; Amsterdam Baroque Orchestra under Koopman)
10.55-6.30pm Test Match Special (MW only): England v New Zealand. Third day of the second Cornhill Test 1.05 News 1.10 A View from the Boundary 1.30 County Scoreboard 1.40-6.30 Commentary
1.00pm News (FM only)
*1.05 Words (FM only) with Helena* Kennedy. Part 2: No
1.10 Hortus Musicus Amsterdam (FM only) performs dances, sonatas and canzonas from the 17th century
1.50 Sibelius and Nielsen (FM only): Scottish Baroque Ensemble under Leonard Friedman performs Sibelius (Canzonetta, Op 62a), Nielsen (Little Suite, Op 1)
2.15 Sir John Pritchard (new series) (FM only): The first of four programmes *in tribute to the* life and music-making of one of the country's leading conductors
4.25 Debut: Sophie Yates plays the Hatley virginals at Fenton House. William Tisdale (Pavana Chromatica "Mrs Katherin Tregian"); Tomkins (Barafostus's Dream), Byrd (John Come Kiss Me Now; The Woods So Wild); Bull (Chromatic Pavan and Galliard "Queen Elizabeth")
5.00 Jazz Record Requests (FM only) with Peter Clayton
5.45 *Critics' Forum (FM only)*: Richard Cork, in the chair, Michael Coveney, Margaret Drabble and Christopher Frayling discuss Simon Gray's *Hidden Laughter* at the Vaudeville Theatre; *Mastermind: the Final* on BBC1; the new Courtauld Institute Galleries at Somerset House: and Costa-Gavras's film *The Music Box*
6.35 Prokofiev (Sarcasms, Op 17; Visions fugitives, Op 22: Boris Berman, piano)
7.10 Looking Down the Wells, read by John Rowe
7.30 Idomeneo: Continuing today's tribute to Sir John Pritchard, the Glyndebourne Festival Chorus and Orchestra under Pritchard performs Mozart's three-act opera seria in the 1956 Glyndebourne recording. Sung in Italian
10.15 Studio 3. Louis XIV's Intestine.
● Because it gives voice to a digestive tract, Nick Fisher's *monologue, spoken with spiteful relish by Bill Paterson*, is as visceral a radio offering as you will come across this year. This is a self-important intestine, with a wicked sense of fun ("There's a *lot* of pressure in this job" . . . "I am a brain in my own right" . . . "I may be a lower organ, but that doesn't mean I haven't got good taste"). He does not care for Versailles protocol or for the monarch ("Lou") whose intake he processes and, predictably, his gut reaction to the doctors who *undermine his status by* administering enemas, is one of hostility
10.40 Chilingirian Quartet performs Haydn (Quartet in C, Op 33 No 3 "Bird"). Tippett (Quartet No 4) (r)
11.30 New Experimental: The pianist Michael Finnissy performs works by Skempton, John White, Cardew and Newman
12.00 News 12.05am Close

## RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 *News Briefing; Weather* 6.10 The Farming Week 6.50 Prayer for the Day 6.55 Weather 7.00 Today, incl 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 7.55, 8.58 Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Sport on 4 with Cliff Morgan
9.30 Breakaway: Bernard Falk and Nigel Coombs with holiday and travel news. This week, Philadelphia
10.00 News; Fourth Column: Alan Coren and guests exercise wit and wisdom on topics as diverse as life, death, politics, religion and the banishing of witches ceremony in Cornwall
10.30 Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel: The Marx Brothers' Lost Radio Shows. The classic comedy team are recreated in the six-part adventures of a shady lawyer and his assistant
11.00 News; The Week in Westminster with Andrew Marr
11.30 Europhile: Max Easterman with the topical magazine covering European issues
12.00 Money Box with Louise Botting and Vincent Duggleby
12.25pm The News Quiz hosted by Barry Took (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 News
1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby in Wellington, Shropshire, with panelists Brenda Dean, general secretary of Sogat '82; Sir John Hoskyns, former director general, Institute of Directors; Sue Goss, chair of the Labour co-ordinating committee; and journalist Hugo Young (r)
2.00 News, *Any Answers?* 071-580 4411. Jonathan Dimbleby takes listeners' calls on topics raised in this week's *Any Questions?*
2.30 Time of Their Lives: Play Federico For Me: Play by Sam Jacobs. In 1945, the great actress/manager Margarita Xirgu (Dorothy Tutin), champion of Federico Garcia Lorca, has brought her company and his last play to Buenos Aires (s)
4.00 In the Country: Part 3: Raasay. Iain Thomson, skipper of the yacht Rhum, takes *Christopher Lowell on a* voyage to four Hebridean islands. This week, they meet Sorley MacLean, whose poetry keeps the island's past history alive
4.30 Science Now: Alun Lewis reports on the government's LINK scheme which aims to turn pure science into marketable products
5.00 High Fliers (new series): David Walker meets those on the top rung of the public ladder. Part 1: Marianne Neville-Rolfe, newly-appointed principal of the Civil Service College (r)
5.25 Week Ending. Satirical review of the week's news. With Bill Wallis, David Tate, Peter Whitman and Sally Grace (r) 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
6.00 News; Sports Round-Up
6.25 Citizens omnibus edition (s)
7.10 Stop the Week with Robert Robinson (s)
7.45 Saturday Night Theatre: My Dad's a Nero, by Christopher Denys. The grandson of Gran Jackson (Ann Rye) is in danger of turning into a monster like his grandmother. However, things change when his father is Mentioned in Despatches (s)
9.15 A Voyage of Discovery: Writer John Mortimer concludes his operatic voyage with a selection of highlights from *Turandot, The Pearl Fishers* and *Cosi fan tutte* (s)
9.50 Ten to Ten led by Rev Graham James 9.59 Weather
10.00 News
10.15 Open Mind chaired by John Lloyd
10.45 Once Upon a Time (new series): Part 1: *Alice in Wonderland* and Oxford. Six programmes in which Christina Hardyment escorts Marjorie Lofthouse around places connected with well-known children's stories
11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with Lyndon Jenkins and Malcolm Walker about the early days of records and recording (s) (r)
11.30 The Million Pound Radio Show. World Cup Special. Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell *turn their comic perspective to* football's most gruelling tournament
12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast

FM as LW except:
1.55-2.00pm Programme News
4.30-6.00 Options. 4.30 When in France 5.00 Get Writing 5.30 Education 2000

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m,1089kHz/275m,FM-97.6-99.8. (London area FM-104.8) Radio 2: 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m,FM-88-90.2. Radio 3: 1215kHz/ 247m; FM-90-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Jazz FM 102.2. LBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m, FM 94.9. World Service: MW 648kHz/463m.

## SATELLITE

### SKY ONE

6.00am Barrier Reef 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 The Bionic Woman *Angel of Mercy* 12.00 Frank Bough's World 1.00pm Black Sheep Squadron 2.00 Wrestling *Challenge 3.00 The Incredible Hulk* 4.00 Chopper Squad 5.00 Sara. *Granpa's Girl* 6.00 Sky Star Search: the Final 7.00 Those Amazing Animals 8.00 Film: Sergeant Deadhead, starring Frankie Avalon 10.00 Superstars of Wrestling 11.00 Sky World *News Tonight* 11.30 The Untouchables: *The Larry Fay Story*

### SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
5.30am Motor Sports News 6.30 Newsline 7.30 Beyond 2000 8.30 Frank Bough The Week 9.30 Roving Report 10.30 Motor Sports News 11.30 Beyond 2000 12.30pm Fashion TV 1.30 Roving Report 2.30 Motor Sports News 3.30 Our World 4.30 Beyond 2000 5.30 Entertainment This Week 6.30 Fashion TV 7.30 Roving Report 9.30 Entertainment This Week 10.30 The Diamond Greyhound Derby 11.30 Fashion TV 12.30am Best of Target 1.30 Motor Sports News 2.30 Entertainment This Week 3.30 Those Were the Days 4.30 Beyond 2000

### SKY MOVIES

From 6.00am The Shopping Channel
2.00pm Back Home: A young English evacuee returns from the United States to find life is very different. Starring Hayley Mills
4.00 Carry On Don't Lose Your Head: *Another riotous escapade with the usual Carry On team*
6.00 The In-Crowd (1988): Musical comedy set in the 1960s about a group of teenagers who find fame on a local rock 'n' roll show. Starring Donovan Leitch
7.40 *Entertainment Tonight*
8.00 Moving (1988): Comedy, starring Richard Pryor as an unemployed engineer who is offered a job 2,000 miles away. Co-stars Beverly Todd and Randy Quaid
9.40 UK Top Ten
10.00 Blue Jean Cop (1988): A drug dealer shoots a corrupt police officer in New York's Central Park. An attorney and a rebel undercover cop join forces to solve the crime. Starring Peter Weller and Sam Elliott
11.45 Love and Passion: Four ex-lovers have a chance meeting on a Mediterranean island, where their old passions are re-awakened with torrid results
1.30am The Running Man (1987). Arnold Schwarzenegger stars as a contestant on a futuristic gameshow. The prize is his life
4.00 Norma Rae (1979). Sally Field stars as a woman attempting to start a union in a small textile town. Ends at 5.50

### EUROSPORT

6.00am As Sky One 9.00 Judo 9.30 Motor Racing 10.00 Trax 10.30 Australian Rules Football 11.30 Athletics 1.00pm Tennis; Golf 3.30 World Cup Update 4.00 World *Cup Football* 6.00 Motor Sport 7.00 Mobil One Motor Sport News 7.30 World Cup Update 8.00 World Cup Football 10.00 Motor Racing 10.30 World Cup Football 12.30am Tennis 1.30 World Cup Football

### SCREENSPORT

6.30am Powersports 7.30 Tenpin Bowling 8.15 Tennis 10.40 US Pro Boxing 12.10pm Baseball 2.10 Tennis 5.00 Polo 6.00 Baseball 10.30 Hippodrome 11.00 Motor Sport 12.30am Tennis 1.00 Motor Sport 3.00 Baseball 6.00 Polo 6.00 Movie Sport

### MTV

Twenty-four hours of rock and pop

### LIFESTYLE

12.00 Captain Gallant 12.30pm Enoga O'Toole 1.00 Zorro 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00 Championship Rodeo 2.55 Video Review Show 3.00 Wrestling 4.00 The Edge of Night 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Channel

### BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL

● All films are followed by News and Weather
11.30am Film: The Last Married Couple in America (1980): Starring George Segal and Natalie Wood as a happily married couple living in Los Angeles who wonder if they should join the sexual revolution
1.30pm *Film: King Rat (1965, b/w): Starring* George Segal and Tom Courtenay. Based on the James Clavell novel, this is the story of how captivity affected the Allied prisoners of a Japanese PoW camp
4.00 Film: Back to the Beach (1987). Starring Frankie Avalon and Annette Funicello. A married couple travel back to their teenage haunts
6.00 Film: Little Shop of Horrors (1960, b/w): Starring Jonathan Haze and Jack Nicholson. Roger Corman's original version of the 1986 musical about a florist's assistant who accidentally nurtures a man-eating plant
8.00 Film: Crocodile Dundee II (1988): Starring Paul Hogan and Linda Kozlowski. Mick "Crocodile" Dundee is pursued from New York to Australia by a gang of Colombian drug smugglers. He must use all his outback skills to survive
10.00 Film: Down Twisted (1987): Starring Carey Lowell and Charles Rocket. An assortment of villains pursue a young girl believing she possesses a priceless artefact
11.35 Film: Masquerade (1988): Starring Rob Lowe and Meg Tilly. Hitchcockian thriller, in which a young and innocent rich girl falls in love with a handsome yachtsman
1.15am *Penitentiary III* (1987): Starring Leon Isaac Kennedy. A jail's criminal bigshot and its warden fight over a black prisoner nicknamed "Too Sweet". Both want him in their boxing teams. Ends 3.20

### GALAXY

7.00am Superfriends 7.30 Re-Mix 9.00 The Galaxy Club Show 12.00 Jupiter Moon 1.30pm Doctor Who — From the Start 2.00 Cool Cube, incl at 2.30 The Satellite Game, 4.00 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles 5.00 Grange Hill 5.30 Kid's Court 6.00 The Goodies 6.30 Till Death Us Do Part 7.00 Maude 7.30 Intelect 8.00 Nightingales 9.00 Hill Street Blues 10.00 Jools Holland's Happening 11.30 Naked City 12.30am The Repeatable Up Yer News 1.00 Film: Joe Dancer — Big Trade, aka Murder 1, Dancer 0

### THE SPORTS CHANNEL

9.30am Sportsdesk 10.00 NBA: The Story of the Play Offs — Basketball 12.00 Australian Rugby League 1.00pm Sportsdesk 1.30 Racing Today 2.00 Tuff Trax 3.00 Rugby *League: Great Britain/New Zealand* 4.00 American Sports Cavalcade 5.00 American Wrestling 6.00 Sportsdesk, incNews and Weather 6.30 On Two Wheels 7.30 Sportsdesk 8.00 The Main Event: England v New Zealand, second Cornhill Test 10.00 Racing Today 10.30 *Sportsdesk 11.00* Boxing — Fight of the Week 12.00 Sportsdesk 12.30am Rugby League: Great Britain/New Zealand 1.30 Australian Rugby League 2.30 Rugby League. Great Britain/New Zealand 3.30 Rugby League Live Great Britain v New Zealand

### NOW

10.00am High Street 12.00 It's a Wrap! 1.00pm First Edition, News and Weather 2.00 *Front of House* 2.30 Encore: La Fille du Regiment, News and Weather 4.50 In The Frame: Van Gogh Part IV 6.00 Classic Choice: Das Lied Von Der Erde 7.30 Bravo!; News and Weather 9.00 Saturday Performance. Onegin — National Ballet of Canada 10.00 Ruzickova on Harpsichord 10.35 Ornette Coleman Sextet

### THE POWER STATION

9.00am Seventeen hours of rock and pop

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## BBC 1

6.45 Open University
8.55 Playdays (r) 9.15 Making Sense. . . of Creation
9.30 This Is the Day. A *simple* religious service from a viewer's home near Glasgow
10.00 Bazaar presented by Janice Long (r)
*10.25 Take Nobody's Word for It.* Scientific discoveries for the children (r)
10.50 Business Matters. *A discussion* about the changes that will affect businesses and their staff in the 1990s. David Lomax talks to Dr Rosabeth Moss Kanter of the *Harvard Business School (r)*
11.15 The Big E. Environmental series presented by Chris Baines *(r). (Ceefax)*
11.40 When in France. This week's programme looks at Provence
12.05 Sign Extra. *Fitting Images*, a programme in the *Scene* series, *adapted for the hearing impaired*
12.30 Country File. John Craven reports from Poland where the cost of clearing pollution would be more than its foreign debt. Wales: Farming in Wales 12.55 Weather
1.00 News with Moira Stuart. Followed by On the Record introduced by Jonathan Dimbleby
2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition. *(Ceefax)*
2.55 All Creatures Great and Small: The Course of True Love. Sad tidings for the sickly-sweet Christopher Timothy, in the Yorkshire vet series. *James takes Bodie for a walk and meets Farmer Potts, who is busy settling for a quieter life.* (Ceefax)
3.45 World Cup Grandstand. Live from the Stadio Nuova Comunale in Turin, the *match between South America's* two main hopes, Brazil and Argentina. The reigning champions, Argentina, have been unimpressive so *far* and could face an early exit. But Brazil, too, have yet to play to their huge potential. It promises to be a bruising tussle.
6.00 Meet the Raisins! A Claymation comedy special
6.25 News with Moira Stuart. Weather
6.40 Praise Be!. Thora Hird introduces hymns from the Guildhall and Guards chapel and the Brecon Jazz Festival. *(Ceefax)*
7.15 Blackadder II: Beer. More malicious manoeuvrings in England's green and pleasant land, circa 1585. Edmund is mixed up in an embarrassing incident with a turnip, an ostrich feather and a fat aunt. He invites the aunt to dinner *in the hope that she will leave him* her fortune in her will. (r). (Ceefax)
7.45 Film: Remo — Unarmed and Dangerous (1985) starring Fred Ward as Remo and Oscar winner Joel Grey as Chiun. Thriller based on the *Destroyer* series of novels by Richard Sapir *and Warren Murphy*. A New York policeman falls victim to a mysterious attack, and he and his car are shunted into New York's Hudson river. He wakes up with a new face, new *identity and a new name*, having apparently been "recruited" as a secret super agent out to bring to justice the usual super-criminals that inhabit such movies. Directed by Guy Hamilton (Ceefax)
9.30 News with Michael Buerk. Weather
9.45 That's Life! More real-life humour and consumer revelations. The bad guys are the evil company managers, busy slamming doors in the face of the camera. The good guys are Esther herself, Gavin Campbell, Adrian Mills, Howard Leader, Simon Fanshawe and Doc Cox
10.30 Heart of the Matter: Guns and Rosaries.
● Another pungent contribution to *the series of ethical conundrums* visits Brooklyn and discusses the right of a church to bear arms. The background is the horrifying level of violent crime on the streets of New York, to which

Joan Bakewell visits Father Plock (10.30pm)

the drug crack has added a new dimension. In a landscape of deprivation, even the poorest churches are an oasis of prosperity. The Christians of Brooklyn are being dragged into a war waged by dealers *and addicts. The casualties include* a Catholic priest lying in hospital after being shot through the leg by two youths. Nuns living under fear of attack carry money in the hope of appeasing would-be muggers. Most churches have introduced security measures. Some clergymen want to go further and carry arms as essential protection for themselves and their congregations. Their opponents say this will only make matters worse and argue for non-violence as the only way of breaking the circle.
11.05 World Cup Report. Action from today's two knock-out matches from the competition's second phase
11.35 You and 92. Will the advent of the single European market in 1992 create jobs in Britain or destroy them? *Wales: Cricket: Glamorgan v Yorkshire;* Northern Ireland: The Championship
12.10am Mahabharat. Repeat of yesterday's 11th instalment of the 91-part dramatisation of the Hindi epic (r). Wales: You and 92 12.40 Mahabharat; Northern Ireland: 12.30 You and 92
12.50 Weather. Wales: 1.20 News and weather; Northern Ireland: 1.05 Weather

## ITV LONDON

6.00 TV-am
8.00 Anne Diamond on Sunday. Includes cookery advice from Lord Bradford
9.25 Film: Amy (1981) starring Jenny Agutter and Barry Newman. Continued from last week. Amy leaves her husband to teach at a school for the deaf and blind. Directed by Vincent McEveety
10.15 The Campbells
*10.45 Link.* Two blind people talk about the businesses they have started
11.00 Morning Worship from St John's Catholic School for the Deaf in Boston Spa
12.00 Visions. Religious magazine series
12.30 The Care Bears
*12.40 Crime Monthly Update* 12.55 LWT News and weather
1.00 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather
1.10 Out of Town. Jack Hargreaves on lambing and mayfly 1.40 The Smurfs
2.15 *Survival: Cat's Kin. The wild cats of* Africa, narrated by Anna Massey
2.45 The Maiden Voyage. Following the fortunes of the "Maiden", the yacht with the all-women crew in the Round the World Race *(r)*
3.45 Film: The Flight of the Phoenix (1965) starring James Stewart, Richard Attenborough and Peter Finch. An aircraft crash-lands in a desert. Faced *with the prospect of starvation* and dehydration, one of the survivors believes he can rebuild the plane, but the captain refuses to believe him. Directed by Robert Aldrich
6.30 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather
6.40 Highway. *Sir Harry Secombe visits* Chester
7.15 Aussie Candid Camera. Tony Murphy presents the Down Under version of the Jonathan Routh show
7.45 World Cup 90. *Live coverage from* the San Siro Stadium, Milan, of the match between Netherlands and West Germany. Plus highlights of this afternoon's game in Turin between Colombia and Cameroons
10.15 News and weather
*10.30 Spitting Image.* A satirical look at the news and those who make it with Fluck and Law's puppets
11.05 The South Bank Show: The Tales of Helpmann.
● This is television biography of the darling-you-were-wonderful school in *which the multi-talented Australian* stirs gushingly affectionate tributes from Dames Ninette, Margot and Alicia and other showbusiness luminaries. The opening quotes hint at a more *subversive portrait* with Stewart Granger, always good value on those occasions, calling Sir Robert "such a naughty little creature" and someone else remembering Helpmann *as a daringly underdressed nun.* But the director Don Featherstone settles for an orthodox clips-and-interviews treatment which is always diverting but frustratingly avoids the leading questions. *The versatility of a man who* on the same day could play Shakespeare at Stratford and dance at Covent Garden is rightly applauded. but what sort of a Hamlet was he and

The versatile Sir Robert Helpmann (11.05pm)

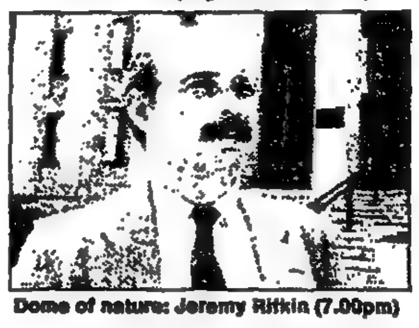
how good? Why was he sacked from the Australian Ballet, tantalisingly recalled in newspaper cuttings but left unelaborated? Sir Robert is clearly *much missed by his friends, but his* memory would be better served by greater critical scrutiny
12.05am International Rugby. Highlights of the Australia v France game played a *few hours ago in Brisbane*
1.05 ITV Chart Show (r)
2.05 Film: Island of Terror (1966) starring Peter Cushing, Eddie Byrne and Edward Judd. After finding a boneless *corpse on an island off the Irish coast,* Cushing and Byrne investigate and discover a scientist making monsters which thrive on bone. Directed by Terence Fisher
*3.45 Pick of the Week*
4.15 American Documentary: Desperately Seeking Baby. An infertile couple try to adopt a baby
5.15 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

## BBC 2

6.35 Open University: Pure Maths. Group Actions 7.00 Education 7.25 Introduction to Calculus 7.50 Fluid *Flow in Pipes 8.15 Matter in the* Universe: Red Giants 8.40 Photochemical Pathways 9.05 Introduction to Psychology 9.30 Social Integration: Children's Television *9.55 Victorian Dissenting Chapels* 10.20 Biology: Cardiovascular Control 10.45 Maths: Networks and Matrices 11.10 Talking to the Tea Folk 11.35 Darwin and Diversity
12.00 Westminster Week. This week's highlights from Parliament, followed at *12.35 by regional reviews of the* effects of parliamentary decisions. (Ceefax). Wales: Electric Avenue; Northern Ireland: A Taste of Ireland
1.00 Ecology. Tawny owls and the *methods of studying them used* by Open University students
1.25 Grandstand introduced by Helen Rollason. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 1.40, 2.40 and 3.40 Motorcycling. ACU Shell Oils British Championships from Cadwell Park, *Louth, Lincs. The commentators are* Barry Nutley and Steve Parrish; 2.00 and 3.00 Rugby League: highlights of the first Test in Palmerston between New Zealand and Great Britain; 3.40 Tennis: a preview of the Wimbledon fortnight which begins tommorow.
3.45 Film: The Big Country (1958) starring Gregory Peck, Charlton Heston, Jean Simmons and Burl Ives. William Wyler's huge, sprawling Western has *Peck as a sailor who returns from the* sea to marry Carroll Baker, finds himself in competition with Heston and is forced to take sides in a feud between his future father-in-law (Charles Bickford) and a neighbouring ranch owner over water rights. An *enjoyably crafted film with a screen* stealing performance from Ives which won him the Oscar for best supporting actor. Jerome Moross's score has become a classic.
6.25 BBC Design Awards 1990. *Muriel* Gray and product designer Daniel Weil go to Glasgow to sound out public reaction to the shortlisted entries in the three categories: graphics, products *and environment (r)*
6.35 The Money Programme: Executive Pay. A report on bonus schemes which have increased the pay of top managers and executives to levels criticised not only by the unions but also the prime minister. Is there any way in which such exhorbitant sums can be justified? Rory Cellan-Jones reports from here and the United States
7.15 The Natural World: Bats Need Friends. A contribution to National Bat *Week, looking at traditional* misconceptions about bats and the reality of their lives, as intelligent, good-natured and useful little mammals. Bob Stebbings and cameraman Peter Smithson reveal little-known aspects of how bats see in the dark, catch their prey, bring up their young and survive the rigours of winter when food is virtually non-existent
8.05 Chez Francis: An Evening with Francis Poulenc. An acclaimed German production in which Austrian composer H. K. Gruber explores the life and work of French composer Poulenc, with archive material and contributions from pianist Paul Crossley, fellow composer Henri Sauguet, conductor Georges Prêtre and Madeleine Milhaud
9.05 Film: Ten Commandments (1989). In the seventh in his series of powerful and uncompromising moral tales the *Polish director Krzysztof Kieslowski* deals with the dilemmas of theft. It is the story of Majka (Maja Barelkowska) and her *ruthless struggle to reclaim* her six-year-old illegitimate daughter *from her mother, who had registered* the child as her own when born to avoid a scandal. In Polish with English subtitles.
10.00 Grand Prix. Highlights of today's *Mexican Grand Prix*, with commentary from the excitable Murray Walker and the laconic James Hunt
10.40 Moviedrome. Alex Cox introduces The Terminator (1984) starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. *All-action* science fiction thriller set in the year 2029 in the aftermath of a nuclear war. Machines have virtually taken over the world, and the Terminator, part-man, part-machine, is sent back in time to the 1980s to kill the future mother of a *man destined to save mankind. Comic* strip stuff carried off with considerable flair by the director James Cameron, who also wrote the screenplay. (Ceefax). Ends at 12.30am

## CHANNEL 4

6.00 Transworld Sport (r) 7.00 Loads More Muck and Magic (r). (Oracle) 7.30 Bright Sparks 8.00 Early Bird 8.30 *David the Gnome 9.00 Jayce and the* Wheeled Warriors
9.25 Movie Mahal. Series celebrating the stars and music from India, the world's largest film industry. (r)
10.00 A Week in Politics
11.00 Go for It. Activities for children with special needs (r) 11.30 Gophers! Comic cartoons for seven-year-olds and upwards (r) 12.00 The Waltons *1.00 Land of the Giants*
2.00 Film: Gaslight (1939, b/w).
● Thorold Dickinson's stylish thriller about a woman being driven insane by her husband in a creepy old house once had an unwanted fame of one of the cinema's lost films, a victim of Hollywood insensitivity. Soon after it was made the rights were bought by Columbia, which sold them to MGM, which put out a remake starring Charles Boyer and Ingrid Bergman. It was believed that *to ensure the* success of its version, MGM had destroyed all the prints and negatives of Dickinson's film. Rumours of the death were happily *exaggerated and in the early 1950s the* British *Gaslight* turned up in New York. George Cukor's remake is the glossier production but Dickinson's is the more atmospheric, has a stronger sense of the Victorian period and shows greater cinematic flair. The tension of the silent opening sequence owes much to the power of the lighting and camerawork. Anton Walbrook plays the husband, with Diana Wynyard as the tormented wife
3.35 Holiday. A British Transport short with music by Chris Barber
3.55 A Prospect of Rivers. The second of four programmes celebrating life on the rivers of Britain (r)
4.55 The Nat King Cole Show (b/w). With guest singer Gogi Grant
5.25 Poetry Book. Hannah Gordon reads *Lucy Gray (r)*
5.30 News summary and weather
5.35 Secrets of the Billabong. Nature documentary with Bill Cropp and his family who spent a year camping beside a billabong — an Australian water-hole — filming its changes and wildlife
6.30 The Wonder Years. Emmy award-winning series about growing up in the suburbs of 1960s America
7.00 Visionaries: Declaration of a Heretic.
● This week's maverick environmentalist is Jeremy Rifkin, an *American who makes enough out of* his books and lectures to run an extensive Washington office and tour the world preaching his message. The film catches up with him in Italy, *where he is hoping to convert the Pope.*



Dome of nature: Jeremy Rifkin (7.00pm)

Fearing controversy, the Vatican cancels the appointment at the last minute. Rifkin's message is don't muck about with nature, a theme he pursues through the courts in his *implacable opposition to genetic* engineering. The claims of geneticists to ease the pains of the human race are contemptuously swept aside. Flaunting his bald head, Rifkin says he was not designed for hair and looks awful with it. According to Rifkin the rot set in soon after the Garden of Eden and was compounded by the invention of hours, minutes and seconds in opposition to natural rhythms. What Rifkin is for is less obvious than what he is against and the weakness of the film is that it never tries to pin him down
8.00 Movie Masterclass. In the last of the series the Scottish director Bill Forsyth discusses Robert Bresson's *Au Hasard Balthasar*, which was screened last night
9.15 Three Plays by Gertrude Stein. *Look and Long, In a Garden* and *Three Sisters Who Are Not Sisters.* Prix Italia winner Jaap Drupsteen directs the three plays set to music by Fay Lovsky The eerie tones of Stein's work are communicated through dance and mime
10.00 *Film: Strangers Kiss (1983). An* affectionate tribute to low budget film making in Hollywood in the 1950s, loosely based on the early career of Stanley Kubrick. Peter Coyote plays *the Kubrick figure, Stanley*, a young director trying to set up a triangular love story with boxing background. A gangster agrees to back the project on condition that his girlfriend (Victoria *Tennant) plays the leading role.* The British director Matthew Chapman cleverly combines pastiche 1950s colour with black and white for the film-within-a-film.
11.45 Film: Far from War (1987). Mainland Chinese film about a retired soldier and widower who lives with his son and daughter-in-law and gets on their nerves. He escapes into memories of his Japanese war experience and of an adolescent sexual encounter that was the *highlight of his emotional life.* The film offers a revealing analysis of marriage and family life in modern Chinese society. Directed by Hu Mei. Ends at 1.25am

## RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW
5.00am Gary King 7.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 9.30 Dave Lee Travis 12.30pm 30 Years of Number Ones 3.00 Pop of the Form 3.30 Philip Schofield 5.00 Top 40 7.00 Anne Nightingale's Request Show 9.00 Andy Kershaw 11.00-2.00am Bob Harris on Sunday

## RADIO 2

FM Stereo
4.00am David Allen 6.00 Graham Knight 7.30 Good Morning Sunday 9.05 Melodies for You 11.00 Radio 2 All-Time Greats 2.00pm Benny Green 3.00 Sounds Easy 4.00 BBC Concert Orchestra Showcase 4.30 Sing Something Simple 5.00 Charlie Chester 7.00 Music From the Movies: Part 3: Epic Dramas and Dramatic Love Stories 8.00 Robert White Sings 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour 9.00 Your Hundred Best Tunes 10.05 Radio 2 Arts Programme 12.05am Sounds of the Fifties 1.00-4.00am Night Ride
MW as above except. 2.00-7.00pm Sunday Sport on 2

## WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST.
5.00am World News 5.09 24 Hours; News Summary 5.30 Londres Matin 5.59 Weather 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Jazz for the Asking 7.00 World News 7.09 24 Hours, News Summary and Financial News 7.30 From Our Own Correspondent 7.45 Book Choice 8.00 World News 8.09 Words of Faith 8.15 Music for a While with Richard Baker 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 Tech Talk 9.30 Financial Review 9.40 Book Choice 9.45 Short Story: A Thorn in the Flesh 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Science in Action 10.30 Midi Magazine 10.59 Travel News 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 From Our Own Correspondent 11.30 The Ken Bruce Show 12.00 News Summary 12.01pm Play of the Week: The Triumph of Tears 1.00 News and 24 Hours on Sunday 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 News Summary 2.01 Phone-in 3.00 Newsreel *3.15 BBC* English 3.30 Nachrichten 3.40 German Features 3.59 Travel News 4.00 World News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Londres Soir 5.14 News Headlines in English 5.15 Club 648 5.30 Nachrichten 5.40 German Features 6.54 Nachrichten *7.00* News Summary 7.01 Play of the Week. The Triumph of Tears 8.00 World News 8.09 Personal View 8.25 Words of Faith 8.30 Brain of Britain 1990 9.00 News Summary 9.01 Sports Roundup 9.15 Music for a While with Richard Baker 10.00 Newshour *11.00 World* News 11.05 Words of Faith 11.10 Book Choice 11.15 Letter from America 11.30 Phone-In 12.00 Newsdesk *12.30am in Praise of God* 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Whither the Weather 1.45 Capriccio 2.00 World News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Newsreel 2.30 Science in Action 2.59 Weather 3.00 World News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 Good Books *3.30 Letter from* America 4.00 Morgenmagazin 4.35 News in German 4.45 Headlines in English and French 4.47 Press Review *4.52 The Week on 648* 4.56 Weather and Travel News

## RADIO 3

6.35am Open University (FM only)
6.55 Weather
7.00 Bach's 48 — Book 2: Bach (Preludes and Fugues Nos 1 and 2: Edwin Fischer, piano; Duet, Wir eilen mit schwachen, Cantata No 78: Theresa Stich-Randall, soprano, Dagmar Hermann, alto, Anton Heiller, organ; Preludes and Fugues Nos 3 and 4)
7.30 News
7.35 The Broadside Ballad: Jakob Lindberg, lute, the Broadside Band, Fretwork and others perform Elizabethan ballad tunes and their variations, with settings of Greensleeves, Walsingham, and Go From My Window. The second of three programmes
8.30 News
*8.35 Your Concert Choice:* Bach (Double Harpsichord Concerto in C minor: English Concert *under Trevor Pinnock,* harpsichord, with Kenneth Gilbert, harpsichord); Pärt (Fratres: Berlin PO Cellists); Rameau (Suite in A minor: Trevor Pinnock, harpsichord); Lex van Delden (Sextet for Strings: Ronald Hoogeveen *and Rami Koch*, violins, Zoltan Benyacs and Jouke van der *Leest*, violas, Taco Kooistra and Henk Lambooij, cellos); Handel (Dixit Dominus: Choir and Orchestra of Westminster Abbey under *Simon Preston*, with Arleen Augér and Lynne Dawson, sopranos, Diana Montague, *alto*, Leigh Nixon, tenor, Simon Birchall, bass)
10.30 Music Weekly with Michael Oliver. A Necessary Composer: the music of Hanns Eisler is assessed by David Blake. The Oldest Music: the world of lullabies is explored by Julia Usher. In the Gardens of Spain: a musical encounter in Granada
*11.15 BBC Philharmonic under* Bryden Thomson, with Janos Starker, cello, performs *Smetana (Overture, The* Bartered Bride); Beethoven (Symphony No 8 in F); Martinů *(Frescos of Piero della* Francesca)
12.40pm Borodin String Quartet *performs Schubert (Quartet in* E flat, D 87); Mozart (Quartet in D minor, K 421)
1.45 L'Ecole d'Orphée performs Couperin (Suite, L'Espagnole); Telemann (Concerto in G, Paris Quartets, 1730) (r)
2.20 Chabrier (España LPO under *Thomas Beecham: Trois* Valses romantiques Francis Poulenc and Marcelle Meyer, *two pianos)*
2.45 Mozart and Saxton: Scottish CO under Ernst Kovacic, violin, with Paul Silverthorne, viola, performs Mozart (Violin Concerto No 5 in A, K 219); Saxton (Viola Concerto: The Ring of Eternity: under Oliver Knussen); Mozart (Sinfonia concertante in E flat, K 364) (r)
4.20 Poet of the Month: Five poems by Gerard Manley Hopkins are introduced and read by Patricia Beer
4.30 Soviet Master Pianists: In the last of three programmes, the *pianist Vladimir Ovchinikov* performs Prokofiev (Sonata No 8); Rachmaninov (Études tableaux, Opp 33 and 39)
6.15 From White Noise to a Symphony: The God Game. Paul Davies, professor of theoretical physics at Adelaide *University, explores a strange* notion held by scientists who explore the connection *between mathematics and the* physical world. They believe that the universe is a *computer and, therefore, we* are nothing more than ghostly entities produced by a cosmic programme. The second of two programmes
7.00 Byrd and Gibbons: Malcolm Proud, *harpsichord*, performs Byrd (Walsingham, Pavan and Galliard "Bray"); Gibbons (Pavan in G minor, Prelude and Fantasia in A minor) (r)
*7.30 Royal Opera House Orchestra* under Bernard Haitink performs Wagner (Die *Meistersinger Suite, Prelude,* Act 1; Prelude, Act 3; Dance of the Apprentices; Entry of the Masters), Holloway (Wagner Nights — first UK performance), Elgar (Symphony No 1 in A flat), incl 8.25 Interval Reading
9.25 Zimmermann and Ligeti: Keith Williams and Clive Williamson, pianos, perform Zimmermann (Monologe); Ligeti (Monument, Selbstportrait, Bewegung)
10.05 Third Ear: Issues affecting Chicago's cultural life are examined by Robert Hewison (r)
*10.30 A Sequence of Psalms:* The role of psalms today are reflected on by Ian Mackenzie *in a meditation recorded in the* Parish Church of St Andrew and St George, Edinburgh. With the Scottish Philharmonic Singers under Ian McCrorie
11.30 Lysia Maclow (First Milarepa Gatha); Oliveros (Sonic Meditations); Corner (Worded Music); Maclow (A Notated Vocabulary)
12.00 News
12.05am Close

## RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
*5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00* News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Prelude (s) 6.30 News; *Morning Has Broken (s) 6.55* Weather 7.00 News 7.10 Sunday Papers
7.15 On Your Farm (LW only):
● Sunday morning slug-abeds, unaware of any good reason why they should emerge from the blankets on *this day of rest*, might be tempted to bestir themselves *if they knew what they were missing* by not tuning in to this unique 25-minute conversation piece. Over farmhouse breakfast (so salivatingly described, often, that we almost smell the sizzling bacon), the chat is about much more than fields and yields. We really do get to know these farming folk (today, it is the retired Dobsons, living near Rugby), and to understand something of the chemistry that can fuse *men and women with the soil*
7.40 Sunday, incl 7.55 Weather 8.00 News 8.10 Sunday Papers 8.50 Appeal by Marti Caine on behalf of Help Hammer Cancer, a scheme to build a new cancer treatment centre 8.55 Weather
9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America (r)
9.30 Morning Service from St Finnian's Church, Cregagh, Belfast
10.15 The Archers omnibus edition
11.15 News Stand
11.30 Pick of the Week (s) (r)
12.15pm Desert Island Discs: Sue *Lawley with George Carman,* QC (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend 1.55 *Shipping Forecast*
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time from the Museum of London
2.30 Haunted by More Cake. Play by Steve Walker. A ghost story with a difference, starring Graham Crowden as Uncle Ginger. His nephew Lionel (Stephen Tompkinson) has fallen in love with one of the ghosts who are having a tea party *in his stomach.* Uncle Ginger sets out to exorcise his nephew's *uninvited guests (s)*
3.15 Face to Face With . . . Sean Connery by Brian Thompson. *In the fourth of five fantasies,* Claude Jonks meets the golfing thespian (r)
3.30 The Radio Programme with *Laurie Taylor*
4.00 News: Living With . . . Harold: The last of Peter Hennesay's profiles on *Britain's four post-war prime ministers* is on Harold Macmillan (r)
4.47 Backward Glances: Sir John Gielgud recalls some colourful personalities from his past. Part 4. Remarkable hostesses (r)
5.00 News; Down Your Way: Group Captain Leonard Cheshire *returns to Oxford where he first learned to fly*
5.40 English Now: The winners of this year's competitions are *selected by David Crystal* 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
6.00 News
6.15 Starting from Scratch. Dr Colin Morris sets out the common sense case for the Christian religion (5 of 6)
6.30 Europhile *(r)*
7.00 Cat's Whiskers: Andy Crane celebrates the last of the series' *nine lives*
7.30 Bookshelf *(r)*
8.00 Looking Eastwards to the Sea: Arabian Adventures. John Keay tells the story of some of the key explorations made by the East India Company from 1601-1615 (4 of 6) (s)
8.30 Immortal Diamonds: Victorian Times — the Debate: Robert Browning. Rosemary Hartill explores poets' relationships with God (4 of 6) (s)
9.00 News; Treasure Islands (r)
9.15 The Natural History Programme (r) 9.59 Weather
10.00 News
*10.15 They Shoot Trainers, Don't* They?. Fly-on-the-wall feature following Yorkshire racehorse trainer Charles Booth (r)
11.00 In Committee: A weekly report on the work of Parliament's select committee
11.30 Seeds of Faith: In the last of three talks, Canon David Marriott reflects on the work of the Christian Medical College and Hospital at Vellore in southern India
12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping

FM as LW except:
7.00-8.00am *Open University*: 7.00 Modern Art: Berlin Dada 7.20 Thomas Hardy's Poetry 7.40 *Hopkins' Religious Poetry 1.55-2.00* Programme News 5.50-5.55 Programme News

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## ITV VARIATIONS

**ANGLIA**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Farming Diary 1.10 Members Only 1.35-2.45 Film: Black Widow 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am Prisoner: Cell Block H 1.55 Throb 2.25 Pop Profile 2.35 CinemAttractions 3.05 Transmission 4.05 Jack Thompson Down Under 4.30-5.05 Pick of the Week.

**BORDER**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 California Highway 1.10 Film: Blondie Brings Up Baby" 2.20 McCartney 2.50-3.45 Coronation Street 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am I Spy 1.55 Quiz Night 2.25 The Big Valley 3.25 Pick of the Week 3.55 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 Hall of Fame

**CENTRAL**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardening Time 1.10 Contrasts 1.45-2.45 Family Theatre 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am Kojak 1.55 Prisoner: Cell Block H 2.50 Film: Double Identity 4.35-5.00 Jobfinder '90.

**CHANNEL**
As London except: 12.35pm Les Français Chez Vous 12.50-1.00 Cyril Fletcher's TV Garden 1.10 Huckleberry Finn & His Friends 1.40 Cartoon Time 1.45 Survival 2.15 Hillary's Adventures 2.45-3.45 Highway to Heaven 12.25am The Human Factor 12.55 The Invisible Man 1.25 Film Melody 3.40 Beyond 2000 4.30-5.00 Pick of the Week.

**GRANADA**
*As London except:* 12.30pm-1.00 Granada This Week 1.10 Coronation Street 2.05-3.45 Film: Brennus — *Enemy of Rome* 7.15-7.45 *A Kind of Living 12.55am I Spy* 1.55 Quiz Night 2.25 The Big Valley 3.25 Pick of the Week 3.55 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 World Cup Hall of Fame

**HTV WEST**
*As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Looking* Back 1.10 The Time Tunnel 2.00 Along the Cotswold Way 2.30 HTV Newsweek 3.00 *McCartney* 3.30-3.45 Cartoon Time 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am Prisoner: Cell Block H 1.50 Chart Show 2.45 Film The Ballad of Menardeau 4.05-5.00 His Man

**HTV WALES**
*As HTV West except:* 12.30pm-12.55 The Invisible Man" 2.00 Farming Wales 2.30-3.00 California Highways

**TSW**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Farming News 1.10 Fisheries News 1.25-2.45 Film, McCloud — Somebody's Out To Get Jenny 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am I Spy 1.55 Quiz Night 2.25 The Big Valley 3.25 Pick of the Week 3.55 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 The World Cup Hall of Fame

**TVS**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Agenda 1.10 Huckleberry Finn and His Friends 1.40 Cartoon Time 1.45 Survival 2.15-2.45 McCartney 12.55 The Invisible Man 1.25 Film A Reason to Live 3.15 The Twilight Zone 3.40 Beyond 2000 4.30-5.00 Pick of the Week

**TYNE TEES**
As London except: 12.25pm-1.00 Jack Thompson Down Under 1.10 Coronation Street 2.05 Film: Women Chases Man 3.15-3.45 Commercial Break 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am I Spy 1.55 Quiz Night 2.25 The Big Valley 3.25 Pick of the Week 3.55 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 World Cup Hall of Fame.

**ULSTER**
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardening Time 1.10 Coronation Street 2.05-2.45 Farming Ulster 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am I Spy 1.55 Quiz Night 2.25 The Big Valley 3.25 Pick of the Week 3.55 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 Hall of Fame.

**YORKSHIRE**
As London except: 12.25pm The Double Deckers 12.50-1.00 Calendar News 1.10 Cartoon Time 1.20 David Frost's Caribbean Trivial Pursuit 2.15-2.45 Glasnost Kiev 7.15-7.45 A Kind of Living 12.55am The Ray Bradbury Theatre 1.25 Pick of the Week 1.55 Chart Show 2.55 Throb 3.25 Grand Ole Opry 3.55 Wildlife 4.30-5.00 Jobs

**S4C**
Starts: 6.00am Early Morning 9.25 Movie Mahal 10.00 A Week in Politics 11.00 Go For It 11.30 Gophers! 12.00 The Waltons 1.00 TV 101 2.00 Kingdom of the Deep 3.00 Criced 3.45 Animation on 4 5.05 Criced 6.45 San Steffan 7.05 O Bedwar Ban 7.20 Newyddion 7.30 Margaret Williams 8.00 Hel Straeon 8.30 Rygbi Rhyngwladol 9.00 Y Duw Byw 9.05 Sergeant Early's Dream 10.00 Film: Stranger's Kiss 11.45 Film: Far From War 1.25 Diweddi.

**RTE 1**
Starts: *10.25am Meishu 11.15 Beyond 2000* 12.00 Service 12.45 Carrolls Irish Open Golf 2.00 News followed by Between the Wars *2.30 Room Outside 3.00 The Disney Hour* 3.55 Cartoon Time 4.05 Film: The Garden of Allah 5.40 News 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 *Rogha Na Hirise 6.35 A Waltz Through the* Hills 7.00 Murder, She Wrote 7.55 Chelworth 9.00 News 9.20 Big Country 10.20 Hanly's People *10.50 Film, Kitty and the Bagman* 12.45am News 12.50 Close

**NETWORK 2**
Starts: 10.15am Spartacus 10.40 Land of the Giants 11.30 The Beat Box 1.30 Art and Artisans 2.00 Golf 3.30 Italia '90: Top C v 3rd A/B/F 6.00 Zorro 6.30 Survival 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 Newsweek 7.30 News 7.35 Italia '90: *Top D v 3rd B/E/F 10.05 The Sunday Game* 11.05-12.10am Charlie Daniels

## SATELLITE

### SKY ONE

6.00am Hour of Power 7.00 Fun Factory *11.00 Hour of Power 12.00* Superstars of Wrestling 1.00pm Refuge Assurance Cricket: Northamptonshire v Middlesex at Luton (NB: The following programmes *may be* subject to late changes) 6.00 Family Ties 6.30 The Secret Video Show 7.00 21 Jump Street 8.00 Masada: Part one of a three-part mini-series. Almost 2,000 years ago, in the *vicinity of the Dead Sea*, a group of young zealots made a stand against the approaching Roman armies. Their refuge was Mount Masada. Starring Peter O'Toole, Peter Strauss, Barbara Carrera, Alan Feinstein and Anthony Quayle 10.00 Entertainment This Week 11.00 Sky World News *Tonight* 11.30 The Big Valley

### SKY NEWS

News on the hour
5.30am The Best of Target 6.30 Beyond 2000 7.30 Our World 8.30 Those Were the Days 9.30 Entertainment This Week 10.30 World Alive 11.30 Beyond 2000 12.30pm *The Editors* 1.30 Those Were the Days 2.30 The Lords 3.30 Our World 4.30 World Alive 5.30 Entertainment This Week 6.30 Beyond 2000 7.30 *Cops* 8.30 Those Were the Days 9.30 The Editors 10.30 World Alive 11.30 *Cops 12.30am* Those Were the Days 1.30 The Editors 2.30 Entertainment This Week 3.30 Those Were the Days 4.30 Cops

### SKY MOVIES

From 8.00am The Shopping Channel
2.00pm The Quick and the Dead (1987): Adaption of a Louis L'Amour novel, starring Sam Elliot as a grizzled frontiersman who *comes* to the aid of a persecuted family. Co-stars Kate Capshaw and Tom Conti
4.00 The Boy Who Could Fly (1986): *Uplifting parable* about a young girl who befriends an autistic teenage boy. Starring Lucy Deakins and Jay Underwood
6.00 *Imagine: John Lennon (1988)*: Using archive footage shot during the recording of the 1971 *Imagine* album, and interviews with those who knew him, *this biopic traces the* life and career of the ex-Beatle
*7.40 Projector*
8.00 Places in the Heart (1984). *Help is at* hand when a small-town sheriff is shot dead *leaving* his wife to raise the children and look after the farm. Starring Sally Field and Danny Glover
*10.00 Robocop* (1987) Peter Weller stars as the future of law enforcement — an injured cop cybernetically augmented and let loose on the gangs of Detroit City
11.45 Hawks (1988): Black comedy starring Timothy Dalton as a lawyer suffering from a terminal illness who decides to live his last days to the full Co-stars Anthony Edwards
1.45am Blood Diner (1987) Two brothers run a cafe as a cover in their attempts to resurrect an ancient goddess through human sacrifice. Starring Rick Burks and Carl Crew
4.00 Separate Ways (1981): Karen Black is a dissatisfied housewife who betrays her husband by having an affair, only to discover *he is already playing around* Co-stars Tony Lo Bianco Ends 5.35

### EUROSPORT

6.00am As Sky One *9.00 Judo 9.30 Motor* Sport Preview of the Mexico Formula One Grand Prix 10.00 World Cup Football 1.00pm Tennis; Golf Carrolls Irish Open 3.30 World Cup Update 4.00 World Cup Football 6.00 Show Jumping 7.00 Tennis; Golf Carrolls Irish Open 8.30 Motor Sport 9.00 Motor Sport 11.00 World Cup Football

### SCREENSPORT

7.00am Major League Baseball 9.00 Motor Sport 9.45 Spain Spain Sport 10.00 Motor Sport. European Rallycross 1990 from Kildare, Ireland 11.00 Powersports International 12.00 Motor Sport 2.00pm Golf 4.00 Boxing 6.00 Weekend Live 8.30 Golf 10.30 *Hi-Five Exotic Sports 11.00 Motor Sport*

### MTV

Twenty-four hours of rock and pop

### LIFESTYLE

12.00 Captain Gallant 12.30pm Ensign O'Toole 1.00 Zorro 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00 Rodeo 3.00 Roller Derby 4.00 African Rainbow 4.30 Afternoon Cinema 5.00 Sell-a-Vision Shopping Channel

### BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL

● All films are followed by News and Weather
12.00 Film: Unman, Wittering and Zigo (1971): Starring David Hemmings and Carolyn Seymour. A new teacher at a boarding school discovers his predecessor was murdered by the boys
2.10pm Film: The Return of Monte Cristo (1946). Starring Louis Hayward and Barbara Britton. A count's descendant crosses swords with a malevolent villain who aims to cheat him of his inheritance
*4.00 Film:* Journey to the Centre of the Earth. Starring Nicola Cowper. A young English girl, babysitting a rock star's dog in Hawaii, goes on an incredible adventure
*6.00 Film: Disorderlies:* Starring the Fat Boys and Ralph Bellamy. A Palm Beach millionaire is threatened by a murderous fortune-hunting nephew
8.00 Film: The Karate Kid, Part II (1986): Starring Ralph Macchio and Noriyuki "Pat" Morita. The teenage martial arts hero travels to Japan with his wise mentor
10.00 Film: Barfly (1987) Mickey Rourke and Faye Dunaway star as two down-and-outs who fall in love
11.45 Film: White Nights (1985) Starring Mikhail Baryshnikov and Gregory Hines. An ex-defector and ballet dancer finds himself back in the USSR when the plane he is travelling on makes a forced landing. Pursued by the KGB, he places his trust in *an ex-US army officer, who defected in the* other direction. Ends 2.00am

### GALAXY

7.00am Supermums 7.30 Re-Mix 9.00 Blizzard Island 9.30 The Releman 10.00 Animal World 10.30 Kids Court 11.00 Mr Ed 11.30 The New Fantastic Four 12.00 Time of Your Life 1.00pm Sea Hunt 1.30 Facts of Life 2.00 Cool Cube, incl at 2.30 The Satellite Game; 4.00 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles 5.00 Grange Hill 5.30 Doctor Who — From the Stars 6.00 Dad's Army 6.30 The Best of Steptoe and Son 7.00 Night Court *7.30* The Repeatable Up Yer News 8.00 Dream West 10.00 Burns and Allen 10.30 TJ Hooker *11.30 Into the Groove* 12.15am Barney Miller 12.45 Jools Holland's Happening

### THE SPORTS CHANNEL

9.30am Sportdesk 10.00 England v New Zealand, second Cornhill Test 12.00 Rugby League: Great *Britain v New Zealand* 1.00pm Sportsdesk 1.30 Rugby League: Great Britain/New Zealand Tour 2.30 Rodeo 3.30 Boxing 5.00 Supercross 6.00 Sportsdesk 6.30 Australian Rugby League 7.30 Sportsdesk 8.00 Wimbledon Preview 10.30 Sportsdesk 11.00 Motorcycling 12.00 Sportsdesk

### NOW

10.00am Now Sir Robin 11.00 Crème de la Crème 12.00 West of Moscow 12.45pm Fifteen Minutes from Now 1.00 The Countryside Show 2.00 Documentary Mon Cher Papa 3.00 Sunday Matinee Beethoven — Missa Solemnis 4.30 In the Frame: Willem de Kooning 5.30 Second House: Ravel Double Bill 7.30 Bravo! 8.00 Sunday Opera: The Magic Flute 11.00 Front of House

### THE POWER STATION

9.00am *Seventeen hours of rock and pop*


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# Iran bars aid workers from earthquake disaster zone

By Hazhir Teimourian

THE Iranian government yesterday said that 35,000 people may have died as a result of the powerful earthquake that struck the north-western region of the country on Thursday morning. The new estimate was released through the League of Red Cross Societies in Geneva.

Iran also sowed confusion in the ranks of international aid organisations by saying that it would not allow foreign workers, sniffer dogs and blood products into the disaster zone.

Throughout the day in the two worst-affected provinces, Zanjan and Gilan, hundreds of thousands of survivors, many themselves injured, dug in the rubble of their homes, searching for buried relatives. Fleets of aircraft and helicopters carried 20,000 of the critically injured to towns outside the devastated region.

The fate of hundreds of outlying villages was unknown 48 hours after the earthquake as roads remained cut by landslides, and the sheer weight of the task was beyond the capacity of the aid workers Iran could muster. Volunteer aid workers said they needed more technical and medical aid. Many smaller towns were still without electricity and drinking water.

Dr Ali Akbar Moinfar, a seismic researcher in Tehran, said last night: "From a preliminary survey of the region, it would seem that the final death toll will exceed 30,000. It is really a massive tragedy. The quake's destructive radius was about 100 kilometres (60 miles) and almost every buiding inside that zone has been destroyed."

In some cities, such as Rasht, the provincial capital of Gilan, bulldozers and cranes were used to lift the debris of fallen buildings, but few survivors were found. Under the rubble of a seven-storey block of flats in Rasht, only three people were found alive.

Helicopter pilots reported that Gilan, which was nearest the epicentre of the earthquake under the Caspian Sea, had suffered extensive destruction. "There is no point between the city of Rasht and the town of Loushan (some 80 miles to the south) that has been spared," the pilots told the national news agency, IRNA.

The decision not to allow foreign aid workers in the disaster zone will disappoint Britain's volunteer rescue organisation, the International Rescue Corps, which sent a team of 17 aid workers to Tehran yesterday. The team carried untra-sonic listening instruments and thermal cameras for detecting survivors. Without their expertise, the equipment probably will be of little use. It appeared that more than 200 French and Swiss rescue workers who arrived in Tehran with sniffer dogs would be given permits to stay in the capital for only 24 hours.

Messages of sympathy and offers of help poured into Tehran from governments anxious to encourage Iranian leaders to abandon their disruptive policies. Although Tehran said that it would accept US aid, yesterday's prayer sermon was delivered by Ayatollah Mousavi Ardebili, who used the occasion to launch another attack on the United States.

The messages of condolence from abroad included one from President Saddam Hussein of Iraq, Iran's former antagonist in the Gulf War. Iran said it would exclude only Israel and South Africa from the list of potential aid donors.

Observers of Iranian politics said that, on past practice, the relief operation would be turned into a contest for popularity between the ultra-radicals in the ruling clerical establishment and the pragmatists following President Rafsanjani.

British aid, page 7
Leading article, page 13

Family grief: a father carrying the body of his child, one of an estimated 35,000 victims of the Iranian earthquake, to the cemetery in Manjil

## The £4.3m traveller

Continued from page 1

relentless capacity for engaging small talk on visiting sludge-pump factories and hot rolling mills. With the occasional unscheduled chat to roadside crowds, she has often left behind a tangled heap of shaken security men and exhausted officials.

Europe increasingly dominates the programme. Mrs Thatcher has been 23 times to France, 16 times to Germany and 14 times to Belgium since 1979. That compares with five visits to Canada three to Australia and none at all to New Zealand.

Harry Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing North, yesterday condemned the criticism, saying :"The Prime Minister travels far more frugally than any other head of government". He said she uses a "modest" RAF VC10.

# EC ready to support Moscow

From Michael Binyon
in Brussels

URGENT aid to rescue the Soviet economy and a bitter row between France and its partners over the sites for new European agencies are likely to dominate the summit of European Community leaders in Dublin next week.

Charles Haughey, the Irish prime minister and host, said yesterday that EC leaders were eager to support President Gorbachev and shared deep anxiety over the Soviet economy. "There would be a very definite wish throughout the community to offer Gorbachev whatever support he would need to overcome particularly his economic difficulties," Mr Haughey said after a round of pre-summit visits with EC leaders.

Helmut Kohl, the West German chancellor, is leading moves by several countries to offer Moscow aid, and yesterday issued a joint declaration with President Mitterrand that time was running out for the Soviet economy. He said the EC should realise that the Soviet Union needed help to help itself. The West could not wait until all the promised economic reforms were in place. "I do not think we have a lot of time. Perestroika is something which helps us all."

Community leaders will attempt to reach a coordinated position before the Nato and Houston economic summits in the next two weeks. Most accuse the Americans of laying down too many conditions and being reluctant to support Mr Gorbachev.

But Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, said that it would be "foolish" for the West to pour in money to a country with abundant resources that was suffering from a "unique form of misgovernment."

Vladimir Shemiatenkov, the Soviet ambassador to the EC, said yesterday his country did not want a vast inflow of capital that could not be justified economically. He told a conference here that Moscow sought instead co-operation and investment.

Jacques Delors, the president of the European Commission, who suggested to foreign ministers a concerted EC approach before the Houston summit, said yesterday he had not received any direct Soviet request for aid.

M Delors also sharply criticised member states for failing to agree where to site the European agencies recently created. He said it was ridiculous for EC leaders to speak enthusiastically of the inter-governmental conference on political union when they could not settle where to establish bodies such as the European environment agency.

The last-minute proposals for the ecu from, John Major, may liven discussion of economic and monetary union. The other 11 will be watching Mrs Thatcher carefully to see how in tune she is with the Chancellor's views.

M Delors repeated his welcome yesterday for Mr Major's proposals, which he called a positive evolution and a clear contrast with Britain's peremptory rejection of Stage One of the Delors Report. He would not be drawn on differences between Mrs Thatcher and Mr Major, saying only that if their statements could be put side by side, differences could be seen. "There is a small gap between the two."

Euro-court role, page 8

# Hospital workers accept 7.8%

By Kevin Eason

HOSPITAL ancillary workers yesterday accepted one of the lowest pay rises negotiated this year among the main bargaining groups, bringing fears of an exodus of staff to industry in search of bigger wage packets.

The 180,000 National Health Service workers will get an average of 7.8 per cent, worth £8.45 a week for non-supervisory grades, porters, cleaners and domestics, taking weekly pay to a maximum £117.72, and £9.90 for supervisory staff who can now earn up to £131.35.

A secret ballot produced a two-to-one vote rejecting the recommendation from the four unions involved to take industrial action and in favour of accepting the NHS offer. The huge acceptance, however, masks considerable discontent among staff who are settling for a deal which lags well behind many others in industry.

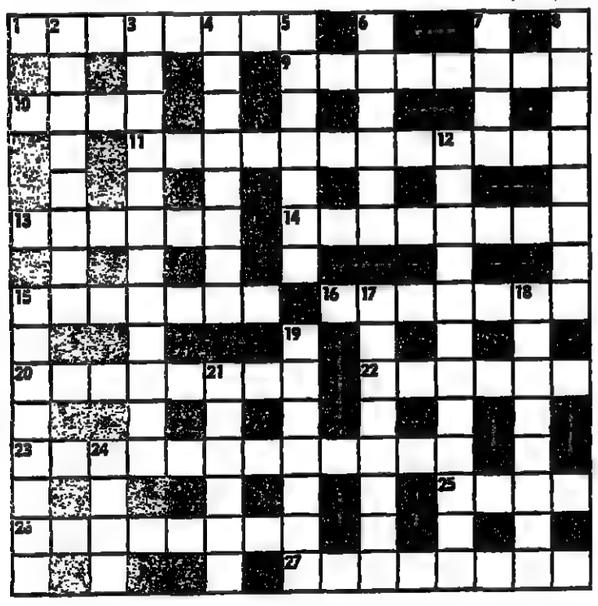
Leaders of the Confederation of Health Service Employees, one of the biggest unions representing NHS staff, believes that continuing low wages will lead to many workers deserting the wards for better paid jobs, especially in the retail trade which has been handing out large rises this year. The union meets for its annual conference next week and there will be calls for it to make a stand on pay next year.

Union leaders say acceptance meant that the ancillary staff did not believe they could afford a prolonged dispute with NHS chiefs and decided to accept rises which are backdated to April 1. Bob Abberley, Cohse's chief negotiator, said: "Hospital ancillary workers are among the lowest paid workers in the country.

"The danger is that continuing low pay will mean that these staff — which the NHS depends on — will walk off the wards and into better paid jobs, particularly in the retail sector where we have seen substantial rises among employers desperate to retain workers at a time of staff shortages."

NHS reforms, page 12

## THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,328



**ACROSS**

1 With ease supply water (5,3).
9 In olden days, anybody went in a coach (5,3).
10 The man to raise a flag (4).
11 Dubious characters selling amber and priceless stones (5,7).
13 Draw back wind again? (6).
14 Being cold in the past, settle comfortably (8).
15 King gathers a lot of soldiers, leaving 1,000 in store (7).
16 Relieved after Henry left some petrol (7).
20 A stopper can be brought to move a little, if need be (2,1,5).
22 King giving honour to a chap (6).
23 See and forget disastrous play "For time" (4,4,4).
25 "It's a feller!" "No way! It's a bird!" (4).
26 A diamond he has — I have paste (8).
27 Is artist in paradise turning left? (8).

Concise crossword, page 15

**DOWN**

2 A bowler — perhaps he had to accept a means of changing speed (8).
3 Humiliate and demolish a girl (4,4,1,3).
4 One is remarkable (8).
5 Split — see below (7).
6 Slough, where other ranks enlisted in the service (6).
7 Heard story's end (4).
8 Winkle's home to dispose of since he's been given accommodation (8).
12 Landlord invested in large buildings in more than one capital (5,7).
15 Newspaper produced during a disturbance involving article (8).
17 Oil producers, inter alia, show a capital deficiency (8).
18 Still shut up one end — that's odd! (8).
19 Many fly — that's correct (7).
21 Ambassador's sister at Number Ten (6).
24 White has a go (4).

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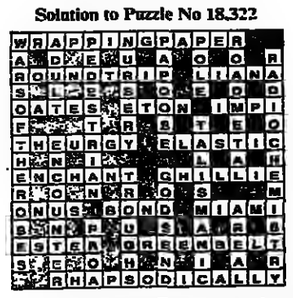

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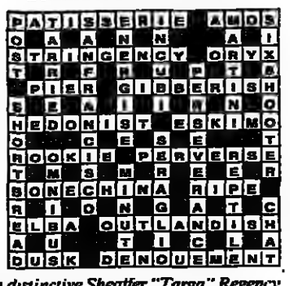

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Name/Address.....

## WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

**CURTANA**
a. A blunt sword
b. A fringe in dressmaking
c. Summary of evidence

**KENNET**
a. A Scottish know-all
b. A type of canal
c. A small hunting dog

**TARGETRY**
a. Setting of aims
b. A hit at fencing
c. A kind of embroidery

**KERMESSE**
a. A bicycling race
b. A harvest Mass
c. The Turkish turban

*Answers on page 15*

## TIMES WEATHERCALL

For the latest region by region forecast, 24 hours a day, dial 0898 500 followed by the appropriate code.

| | |
|---|---|
| Greater London | 701* |
| Kent,Surrey,Sussex | 702* |
| Dorset,Hants & IOW | 703* |
| Devon & Cornwall | 704 |
| Wilts,Gloucs,Avon,Soms | 705* |
| Berks,Bucks,Oxon | 706* |
| Beds,Herts & Essex | 707 |
| Norfolk,Suffolk,Cambs | 708 |
| West Mid & Sth Glam & Gwent | 709* |
| Shrops,Herefds & Worcs | 710* |
| Central Midlands | 711* |
| East Midlands | 712* |
| Lincs & Humberside | 713* |
| Dyfed & Powys | 714* |
| Gwynedd & Clwyd | 715 |
| N W England | 716* |
| W & S Yorks & Dales | 717* |
| N E England | 718* |
| Cumbria & Lake District | 719 |
| S W Scotland | 720 |
| W Central Scotland | 721 |
| Edin S Fife/Lothian & Borders | 722 |
| E Central Scotland | 723 |
| Grampian & E Highlands | 724 |
| N W Scotland | 725 |
| Caithness,Orkney & Shetland | 726 |
| N Ireland | 727 |

Weathercall is charged at 5p for 8 seconds (peak and standard) 5p for 12 seconds (off peak).
*Includes pollen count.

## AA ROADWATCH

For the latest AA traffic and roadworks information, 24-hours a day, dial 0836 401 followed by the appropriate code.

**London & SE traffic, roadworks**

| | |
|---|---|
| C. London (within N & S Circs.) | 731 |
| M-ways/roads M4-M1 | 732 |
| M-ways/roads M1-Dartford T. | 733 |
| M-ways/roads Dartford T.-M23 | 734 |
| M-ways/roads M23- M4 | 735 |
| M25 London Orbital only | 736 |

**National traffic and roadworks**

| | |
|---|---|
| National motorways | 737 |
| West Country | 738 |
| Wales | 739 |
| Midlands | 740 |
| East Anglia | 741 |
| North-west England | 742 |
| North-east England | 743 |
| Scotland | 744 |
| Northern Ireland | 745 |

AA Roadwatch is charged at 5p for 8 seconds (peak and standard) 5p for 12 seconds (off peak).

*The winners of last Saturday's competition are: F W Jefferies, Esmead, Chippenham, Wiltshire; V Lumb, Fieldheys, Peacroft Road, Stonehouse, Gloucester; A Evans, Winmerfield Crescent, Killay, Swansea, W Glamorgan; A Olrog, Burton Road, Kingston on Thames, Surrey; G J McCann, St Johns Park, Belfast.*

## WEATHER

**A depression close to Shetland will move slowly north, with a showery airstream over all areas. North east Scotland will start dull with rain, becoming brighter. Northern Ireland, Wales and England will have sunny intervals and showers. Southern England will have scattered showers. Outlook: Showers dying out but rain or drizzle spreading from the south-west.**

### ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

| | C | F | | | C | F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ajaccio | 25 | 77 | s | Majorca | 27 | 81 | s |
| Akrotiri | 30 | 86 | s | Malaga | 32 | 90 | s |
| Alex'dria | 28 | 82 | s | Malta | 29 | 84 | f |
| Algiers | 31 | 88 | s | Melb'rne | 14 | 57 | c |
| Amst'dm | 13 | 55 | r | Mexico C* | 22 | 72 | c |
| Athens | 29 | 84 | s | Miami* | 33 | 91 | f |
| Bahrain | 34 | 93 | s | Milan | 25 | 77 | f |
| Barbados* | 31 | 88 | c | Montreal* | 18 | 64 | c |
| Barcelona | 26 | 79 | c | Moscow | 16 | 61 | c |
| Belgrade | 29 | 84 | s | Munich | 17 | 63 | r |
| Berlin | 20 | 68 | r | Nairobi | 25 | 77 | f |
| Bermuda* | 29 | 84 | f | Naples | 27 | 81 | c |
| Biarritz | 17 | 63 | c | N Delhi | 35 | 95 | f |
| Borde'x | 18 | 64 | c | N York* | 23 | 73 | c |
| Brussels | 14 | 57 | r | Nice | 24 | 75 | f |
| Budapest | 26 | 79 | s | Oslo | 20 | 68 | f |
| B Aires* | 11 | 52 | s | Paris | 16 | 61 | c |
| Cairo | 33 | 91 | s | Peking | - | - | - |
| Cape Tn | 14 | 57 | s | Perth | 17 | 63 | s |
| C'blanca | 23 | 73 | f | Prague | 23 | 73 | c |
| Chicago* | 28 | 82 | f | Reykjvik | 12 | 54 | s |
| Ch'church | 9 | 48 | d | Rhodes | 27 | 81 | s |
| Cologne | 18 | 64 | c | Rio de J | 20 | 68 | f |
| C'phagn | 18 | 64 | r | Riyadh | 38 | 100 | s |
| Corfu | 27 | 81 | s | Rome | 25 | 77 | s |
| Dublin | 16 | 61 | f | Salzburg | 26 | 79 | f |
| Dubrovnik | 26 | 79 | s | S Frisco* | 21 | 70 | s |
| Faro | 23 | 73 | s | Santiago* | 21 | 70 | f |
| Florence | 22 | 72 | s | S Paulo* | 16 | 61 | s |
| Frankfurt | 20 | 68 | f | Seoul | 22 | 72 | s |
| Funchal | 21 | 70 | c | Sing'pore | 30 | 86 | f |
| Geneva | 13 | 55 | r | St'kholm | 20 | 68 | f |
| Gibraltar | 24 | 75 | s | Strasb'rg | 17 | 63 | f |
| Helsinki | 14 | 57 | c | Sydney | 15 | 59 | s |
| Hong K | 30 | 86 | s | Tangier | 22 | 72 | f |
| Innsbruck | 24 | 75 | f | Tel Aviv | 28 | 82 | s |
| Istanbul | 25 | 77 | s | Tenerife | 25 | 77 | f |
| Jeddah | 37 | 99 | s | Tokyo | 34 | 93 | s |
| Jo'burg* | 15 | 59 | s | Toronto* | 27 | 81 | s |
| Karachi | 33 | 91 | f | Tunis | 29 | 84 | s |
| L Palmas | 25 | 77 | f | Valencia | 33 | 91 | s |
| Le Tquet | 15 | 59 | f | Vanc'ver* | 21 | 70 | s |
| Lisbon | 21 | 70 | f | Venice | 25 | 77 | f |
| Locarno | 17 | 63 | c | Vienna | 24 | 75 | s |
| L Angels* | 19 | 66 | s | Warsaw | 17 | 63 | c |
| Luxembg | 14 | 57 | c | Wash'ton* | 32 | 90 | s |
| Luxor | 39 | 102 | s | Wel'ngton | 11 | 52 | s |

* denotes Thursday's figures

### AROUND BRITAIN

| | Sun hrs | Rain in | Max C | Max F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scarborough | 4.2 | .02 | 17 | 63 | shower |
| Hunstanton | 5.8 | .01 | 18 | 64 | shower |
| Cromer | 6.6 | .29 | 19 | 66 | rain |
| Lowestoft | 6.0 | .18 | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Clacton | 3.3 | .19 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Southend | 3.6 | .18 | 14 | 57 | rain |
| Folkestone | 4.4 | .25 | 16 | 61 | rain |
| Hastings | 3.5 | .43 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Worthing | 2.8 | .53 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Bognor Regis | 2.9 | .49 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Southsea | 1.9 | .65 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Sandown | 4.4 | .44 | 16 | 61 | rain |
| Shanklin | 3.3 | .49 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Bournemouth | 1.0 | .59 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Poole | 2.8 | .45 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Weymouth | 2.8 | .34 | 16 | 61 | rain |
| Exmouth | 2.2 | .44 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Torquay | 3.3 | .47 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Falmouth | 2.0 | .49 | 16 | 61 | shower |
| Penzance | 5.0 | .56 | 16 | 61 | gale |
| Scilly Isles | 3.9 | .59 | 15 | 59 | gale |
| Jersey | 4.7 | .64 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| St. Ives | 5.6 | .46 | 15 | 59 | shower |
| Newquay | 4.1 | .31 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Blackpool | 3.9 | .17 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Morecambe | 5.3 | .63 | 16 | 61 | shower |
| Douglas | 7.3 | - | 15 | 59 | sunny |
| Burnie | 3.2 | .11 | 15 | 59 | sunny |
| Leeds | 1.9 | .19 | 19 | 66 | shower |
| Newcastle | 3.8 | .49 | 17 | 63 | thundr |
| Nottingham | 3.0 | .17 | 16 | 61 | rain |
| Anglesey | 7.2 | .03 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Cardiff | 0.3 | .64 | 13 | 55 | rain |
| Colwyn Bay | 3.6 | .24 | 17 | 63 | rain |
| Tenby | 0.1 | .71 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Aberdeen | 2.0 | .26 | 13 | 55 | shower |
| Aviemore | 0.3 | .07 | 15 | 59 | shower |
| Kinloss | 1.0 | .08 | 17 | 63 | thundr |
| Lerwick | 2.8 | .02 | 15 | 59 | rain |
| Stornoway | 1.0 | .15 | 15 | 59 | thundr |
| Tiree | 9.3 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Wick | 5.5 | .04 | 13 | 55 | rain |

These are Thursday's figures

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun

| | C | F | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belfast | 14 | 57r | Guernsey | 15 | 59c |
| B'mngham | 13 | 55f | Inverness | 14 | 57c |
| Blackpool | 15 | 59s | Jersey | 15 | 59c |
| Bristol | 16 | 61f | London | 17 | 63c |
| Cardiff | 17 | 63c | M'nchster | 14 | 57c |
| Edinburgh | 15 | 59f | Newcastle | 13 | 55c |
| Glasgow | 16 | 61c | R'nldsway | 18 | 61c |

### POLLEN COUNT

The pollen count for London and the South-east issued by the National Asthma Campaign at 10 am yesterday was 2, low. Forecast for today, same. For the next 24 hours call National Pollen and Hay Fever Bureau: 0898 500429 (updated at midday).

### MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.646 in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 5.7 hr.

### GLASGOW

Thursday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am,7C (45F) Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.02 in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.4 hr.

### HIGHEST & LOWEST

Thursday: Highest day temp: Coningsby, Lincolnshire,19C (66F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, northern Scotland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Tenby, Dyfed, 0.71 in; highest sunshine: Tiree, Inner Hebrides, 9.3 hr.

### LIGHTING-UP TIME

TODAY
London 9.22 pm to 4.44 am
Bristol 9.31 pm to 4.54 am
Edinburgh 10.03 pm to 4.27 am
Manchester 9.42 pm to 4.40 am
Penzance 9.36 pm to 5.13 am

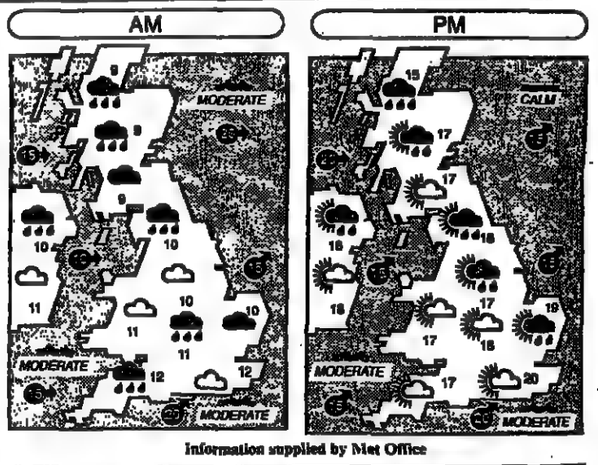
### HIGH TIDES

| TODAY | AM | HT | PM | HT | TOMORROW | AM | HT | PM | HT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 2.34 | 6.7 | 3.04 | 6.6 | London Bridge | 3.27 | 6.9 | 3.51 | 6.8 |
| Aberdeen | 2.02 | 4.2 | 2.35 | 4.2 | Aberdeen | 2.48 | 4.3 | 3.29 | 4.2 |
| Avonmouth | 8.21 | 12.7 | 8.41 | 12.9 | Avonmouth | 9.12 | 12.8 | 9.29 | 13.0 |
| Belfast | — | — | 12.13 | 3.4 | Belfast | 12.30 | 3.6 | 1.08 | 3.3 |
| Cardiff | 8.06 | 11.8 | 8.26 | 12.0 | Cardiff | 8.57 | 11.8 | 9.14 | 12.0 |
| Devonport | 6.53 | 5.2 | 7.15 | 5.5 | Devonport | 7.45 | 5.2 | 8.02 | 5.5 |
| Dover | — | — | 12.05 | 6.5 | Dover | 12.25 | 6.6 | 12.57 | 6.6 |
| Falmouth | 6.23 | 5.0 | 6.45 | 5.3 | Falmouth | 7.15 | 5.0 | 7.32 | 5.3 |
| Glasgow | 1.23 | 4.6 | 2.03 | 4.5 | Glasgow | 2.09 | 4.8 | 2.55 | 4.5 |
| Harwich | 12.32 | 4.0 | 1.00 | 3.9 | Harwich | 1.24 | 4.1 | 1.46 | 3.9 |
| Holyhead | 11.21 | 5.5 | 11.42 | 5.7 | Holyhead | — | — | 12.13 | 5.5 |
| Hull | 7.15 | 7.2 | 7.46 | 7.3 | Hull | 8.00 | 7.3 | 8.35 | 7.3 |
| Ilfracombe | 7.00 | 9.0 | 7.21 | 9.2 | Ilfracombe | 7.52 | 9.1 | 8.12 | 9.3 |
| King's Lynn | 7.20 | 6.5 | 7.54 | 6.6 | King's Lynn | 8.08 | 6.7 | 8.46 | 6.6 |
| Leith | 3.17 | 5.4 | 3.48 | 5.6 | Leith | 4.07 | 5.5 | 4.40 | 5.6 |
| Liverpool | — | — | 12.19 | 9.3 | Liverpool | 12.42 | 9.5 | 1.10 | 9.3 |
| Lowestoft | 10.16 | 2.5 | 10.56 | 2.4 | Lowestoft | 11.01 | 2.5 | 11.50 | 2.4 |
| Margate | 12.32 | 4.6 | 1.05 | 4.5 | Margate | 1.34 | 4.7 | 1.56 | 4.6 |
| Milford Haven | 7.12 | 6.8 | 7.34 | 7.0 | Milford Haven | 8.03 | 6.9 | 8.23 | 7.1 |

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft. Times are BST

TODAY — Sun rises: 4.44 am — Sun sets: 9.22 pm — Moon Rises: 4.57 am — Moon Sets: 10.25 pm — First Quarter June 29

TOMORROW — Sun rises: 4.44 am — Sun sets: 9.22 pm — Moon Rises: 6.22 am — Moon Sets: 10.56 pm — First Quarter June 29

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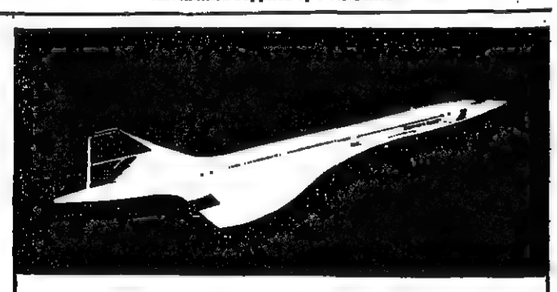

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SUMMARY

## Taylor's view

GRAHAM Taylor (above), who is expected to become the next manager of the England football team, today continues his special analysis of the World Cup for *The Times*. He examines England's progress to the second round and says they could reach the semi-finals but he warns of the Belgians, whom England meet next ..... Page 33

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## Knight vision

SIR Richard Hadlee, who was knighted in the Queen's Birthday Honours List last week, has been a leading figure in first-class cricket since 1972. In his new book, he reflects on the umpires, the players and the pressures. *The Times* features an extract. .... Page 32

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## Youth service

THE champions of tennis grow younger every year, and the latest is Monica Seles, who, at the age of 16, has just won the French Open. Next week she leads Jennifer Capriati (above), aged 14, and Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, aged 18, in the attack on Steffi Graf, the Wimbledon champion of the last two years, who has reached the grand old age of 21. Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent, describes the rise of the Seles phenomenon ... Page 31

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## Ascot surprise

THE run of unexpected results at Royal Ascot continued yesterday when Assatis and Ile De Nisky, the two 50-1 outsiders, fought out the finish of the Hardwicke Stakes. Assatis prevailed by three-quarters of a length with Ray Cochrane (above) having switched to the winner only during the morning when Guy Harwood withdrew his other runners Page 34

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AS MORE and more people go down to the sea for their sport and leisure, *The Times* launches a weekly review of news and comment on the world of boats. Barry Pickthall, yachting correspondent, explains how Lord Selsdon makes his cruiser, worth £300,000, pay its way ..... Page 39

# Football scrabble makes way for sudden death

*From* DAVID MILLER, CHIEF SPORTS CORRESPONDENT, CAGLIARI

THE World Cup now becomes fun. Well, more fun, we must hope, than some of the play, all too predictably, in the cautious opening phase of 36 matches, during which I have seen 18 of the 24 teams.

I have warmed instinctively to eight of them: to the midfield precision and imagination of Italy and Belgium; to the pace and power of West Germany and the subtlety of Brazil, Uruguay and Yugoslavia; to the spontaneous skill of Cameroon and Colombia. My head, if not my heart, as yet remains impervious to nationalistic allegiance. England have been less than impressive.

Now two of the eight, Brazil and Germany, must respectively meet Argentina and the Netherlands in second-round clashes tomorrow worthy of the semi-finals. The spectacular performance of Italy, with the $13 million Baggio, in defeating Czechoslovakia, has avoided the prospect of an Italy-West Germany quarter-final, though now Italy's probable semi-final is against Brazil.

Too often, however, during the past fortnight, we have been no more than watching the grass grow, in sauna-like heat, with England's group the most arid and lifeless — a mere seven goals in six matches, compared with 21 in West Germany's group and double figures everywhere else. Only Costa Rica and South Korea have had fewer shots per match than England, so there is no denying that England's progress is a shade fortuitous.

Never mind. As the professionals say, always pragmatic rather than glory-hunting, you should take it one match at a time. England, with one lucky goal from Lineker and, almost seismic in the circumstances, a header from Wright, are in the second round against Belgium; then, subsequently, a seemingly manageable quarter-final hurdle against Cameroon or Colombia away from the semi-final. Triumph in the World Cup can come by the unlikeliest of routes — West Germany in 1954 and 1974 and Argentina in 1978 won after losing in the first round.

England have a curate's egg of a team. With outstandingly skilful players in Barnes, Gascoigne, Waddle and Lineker, they have scored fewer goals than the first two teams in any group except for the Republic of Ireland. But with a manager fluctuating over the use of a defensive sweeper, have nevertheless conceded fewer goals (one) than all but Italy (none) and Brazil (one).

You cannot help feeling that England's campaign is a bit like an Everest attempt without oxygen masks, with a manager who, at the South Col, has still to decide who should attempt the final ascent. Bets on England's line-up are as legitimately varied as forecast on their results.

Gascoigne, whose free kick brought Wright's critical goal, has been England's revelation so far, growing in stature every match at the heart of midfield. His reverse spin past Dutch defenders on the byline nearly brought victory a week ago and in two weeks he has risen from dilettante to playmaker, with a visible resolution that can partially compensate for the absence of his injured captain.

But where are Barnes and Waddle, almost unseen against Egypt? Unless they begin to prosper, and unless the manager yet again changes his attacking formation by excluding the limited Bull and finding better support for Lineker, England may stumble against Belgium. Belgium's encounter with Uruguay, which they were fortunate to win 3-1 with ten men after their captain was sent off, was of a higher technical and tactical level than any of the other 11 matches I have seen.

With Belgium's menace coming from their counter-attacking overlaps from midfield and defence — by Clijsters, Versavel, the veteran Ceulemans and elusive Scifo — England could be inviting trouble if they persist with a flat back four of two central defenders without the cover of a sweeper.

At Camp Five, the England manager is still pondering on his game-plan. Such oscillation in formation only exaggerates lack of integration among players. Argentina and the Netherlands are caught in equal indecision, though emotional as much as tactical, with the world's best two players, Maradona and Gullit, both in the aftermath of injury and nowhere near their peak. It will take an exceptional turn of form, or luck, for either team to overturn Brazil or West Germany.

The only big surprise of the tournament has been the elimination of the Soviet Union, unhinged by a questionable penalty in their opening match against Romania and waking up too late with four goals against Cameroon. A lesser surprise, besides the shaky start of Argentina and the Netherlands, the respective world and European champions, was the elimination of Sweden, whose supposedly sound defence caved in, conceding six goals.

We have been in a situation in which the evolution of the tournament, day by day, has generated an interest greater than the football being played. Could the anonymous United Arab Emirates or United States frustrate Yugoslavia or Italy? Could South Korea deny the splendid Uruguayans a second round place and hand it to sterile Scotland?

We have been watching a kind of football scrabble, not, up to now, a sustained exhibition of the finer techniques of the game. A colleague just returned from a few days back in London reports that the talk in the pubs has been of nothing but the obtuse ramifications of possibilities in the second round draw rather than on memorable goals. Of these there have been barely half a dozen.

The talk of democracy, for expansion of the game in the so-called Third World, the claim that emerging teams are charming us all and that there should be more of them in place of some of the 14 Europeans, is wholly misleading.

Of the eight lesser teams, Egypt, the UAE, South Korea and the US have correctly been dispatched home, while Cameroon, Colombia, Costa Rica and the Republic of Ireland have survived. The only two of the eight to have played positive football are Cameroon, the former African champions, and, in phases, Colombia. The others, including the Irish, have been as closed for entertainment as Rochdale on a Monday evening.

FIFA's policy, said to be exaggerated, of severe action against fouling is both necessary and long overdue; and as Franz Beckenbauer has said, there must be more penalties against desperation time-wasting by no-hopers seeking a draw from the kick-off.

A coincidental effect of referees' severity against fouls is to make even more redundant much of the insular British attitude to football. Scotland in this tournament were so short of players that if they could not intimidate they had little else left. A Scottish colleague, who is an otherwise sensitive, gentle and intelligent man, told Andy Roxburgh that he was ashamed of Scotland against Costa Rica because "they were not even close to getting yellow cards".

The handicap of the Football League and Scottish League as breeding grounds for international footballers is that too many managers see yellow-card football as a short cut to success. It is indicative of the mentality of the English game that among the majority of supporters here in Sardinia the second most admired player after Gascoigne is Bull, who is struggling to get a touch of the ball.

**WORLD CUP PROGRAMME**

*FIXTURES*

**Today**

Cameroon v Colombia (Naples, 4.0).....
Czechoslovakia v C Rica (Bari, 8.0).....

**Tomorrow**

Brazil v Argentina (Turin, 4.0) .....
W Germany v Netherlands (Milan, 8.0)...

**TELEVISION**

**Today**

BBC: 7.45-10.0pm Live coverage of Costa Rica v Czechoslovakia.

ITV: 3.45-6.0pm Live coverage of Cameroon v Colombia.

EUROSPORT: 4.0-6.0pm. Live coverage of Cameroon v Colombia. 8.0-10.0pm. Live coverage of Czechoslovakia v Costa Rica. 10.30pm-12.30am Cameroon v Columbia. 1.30am-3.30am Czechoslovakia v Costa Rica.

**Tomorrow**

BBC: 3.45-6.0pm: Brazil v Argentina.

ITV: 7.45-10.15: West Germany v Netherlands.

EUROSPORT: 10.0am-1.0pm: Cameroon v Columbia. 1.30am-3.30am: Czechoslovakia v Costa Rica. 4.0-6.0pm: Live coverage of Brazil v Argentina. 11.0pm-3.0am: Brazil v Argentina and West Germany v Netherlands.

*A midfield revelation: the resolute Paul Gascoigne has grown in stature with every England game*

# Middle order open to offers

By ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

*LORD'S (second day of five): England have scored 329 for eight wickets against New Zealand*

NO SOLUTION was in sight yesterday to the frailties still bedevilling England's batting. As showers visited Lord's with the curt regularity of a rent collector, England's response was little more than a deposit on the required payment. A patient full house on this traditional social day may have gone home happy enough with their ration of entertainment but those with England's longer-term prospects at heart learned nothing new to their advantage and had some uncomfortable suspicions reinforced.

The best innings, by far, came from Gooch and Smith and there was a breezy offering, full of quality strokes, from Lamb. We already knew they could play. The disturbing news from day two of this second Cornhill Test was that the two middle-order positions for which England have persistently failed to find suitable tenants remain very much open to offers.

Stewart has probably done enough to earn another game at No. 3, but his maiden Test fifty was unconvincing, while the leader of the national averages, Fairbrother, scored only two and was distinctly fortunate to make so many.

**SCOREBOARD**

**ENGLAND**

**First innings: 329 for 8**
**G A Gooch 85, A J Stewart 54, R A Smith 54**

As if weighed down by the demands upon him, Stewart was runless for fully half an hour before perversely taking seven in three balls from Morrison. His concentration was undeniable. All players have idiosyncracies in the nervous moments of an innings, and Stewart is a bat-twiddler. Yesterday, his bat was twirled furiously between balls. He was also evidently intent on eliminating risks in his vulnerable area outside off stump. But, although repeatedly shouldering arms, he was still sometimes tempted to thrust at the ball, firm-footed. Twice, it carried just wide of gully.

Gooch was in impressive control, stretching a long way forward against Hadlee, who again had some no-balling problems, and punishing anything loose with certainty. There was a false shot, when he edged Hadlee low through the slips, but as this was accompanied by the shrieking of police sirens in St John's Wood Road, a loud and stately military fly-past and comical uproar in the members' stand, caused by a spilt champagne bottle, hardly anyone noticed.

When Gooch is playing well, the trademark is a controlled, bal-

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## Romanian smile hides the fear

SIMON BARNES ON SATURDAY

**Rome**

*This column is torn in two* when it comes to nominating the team of the World Cup finals. Cameroon is one possibility, for the joy they have brought, but I am inclined to go for Romania, for the sorrow they have brought. "For the first time, we will be playing with smiles on our faces," their manager, Emerich Jenei, announced before the first game, which was a glorious demolition of the Soviet Union. The words have acquired a bitter irony since then as the troubles of Romania reassert themselves. Italy invited, and paid for, 1,000 Romanians to come here to watch the football, many of them involved in Ceausescu's fall. Now, they are dreading the prospect of return: many have asked for asylum in Italy.

As I write, no player has done so, though the brave new world of freedom of expression and movement looks less and less like the easy and joyful option it seems a mere fortnight ago. The old days seem to be back and, in the old days, football was a major plaything of the Ceausescu family. "They tried to fix games. They used their own positions with the referees, the leaders of the opposite teams, even with the players," Jenei said. "It wasn't possible to make it public but everyone knew." Other players have talked of Securitate spies disguised as players in the Securitate-backed side, Dynamo Bucharest. Two of the leading Romanian players have already agreed deals to join big foreign clubs. But for them, as much as for the rest, the smile has been replaced by a more familiar expression — the nervous glance over the shoulder.

### Power to the people

The World Cup is clearly a question of power. This is so much the case that, in Bangladesh, an electricity station was attacked by enraged people after there was a power cut in the middle of a big game. There has been similar trouble in Sudan but the good news for footie people in Khartoum is that rain over Lake Tana has raised the water level of the Blue Nile. This means that the power station at Roserias Dam, 280 miles from the capital, is working at full capacity.

There had been such a surge in demand during the opening match — Argentina versus Cameroon — that, ten minutes into the game, viewers were instructed by an on-screen caption to turn off electrical appliances or risk a power cut. Lights all over Khartoum were instantly switched off and the Sudanese cheered Cameroon to victory in a city lit only by the light of the television screens.

### Wine is user-friendly

Match days are suposed to be alchohol-free days here, but Italians — those outside Cagliari, anyway — are getting unhappier by the match. Rome, Turin, Bologna and Florence have reduced the 24-hour ban to a few hours around match-time. Many bars and restauarants have simply taken unilateral action against the ban but the lips of this column are sealed. There have been no mass arrests of people taking a civilised glass with a meal.

Meanwhile, wine growers planned to wave a banner over Italy's last qualifying match, one reading: "Wine is not violence". I did not spot it myself but I had other things on my mind at the time . . . so did the 60,999 other people there, as it happens. Certainly, the entire city seemed drunk on mere victory afterwards.

● *The most forbidding personality of this World Cup is certainly Valery Nepomniaschy, the granite-faced Siberian who manages the Cameroon team — a wonderfully purposeful meeting of opposites. Here is Nepomniaschy on conjugal visits: "Today is the day for meeting the wives. Footballers are also people and, if a man is in discomfort for a long time, it can affect his work."*

### A divine dilemma

Meanwhile, let us turn to things like vicars and cricket. The secretary of Worcestershire, Mike Vockins, is now the Reverend Mike Vockins, though he still fulfils his job for the county. Next month, he has a clash of engagements: a couple who wish to get married on July 14, and the Benson & Hedges final at Lord's when Worcestershire play Lancashire. Cricket has won. "I was happy to do the service if Worcestershire did not get to the final," he said. "But unless the couple can fly me from Lord's at three o'clock on the day, someone else will take charge."

Vockins is only following a precedent set by the Pope. At a recent engagement, the pontiff said: "The Pope must not even try to compete with the national duty of sitting in front of the television. So I'll say goodbye now, so as to avoid a conflict with Italian football."

### Hadlee joins the band

Greetings to Sir Richard Hadlee, the latest of cricket's band of knights errant . . . though, come to think of it, errant is probably the last world one should ever use of Sir Richard. New Zealand's very own Knight of the Doleful Countenance is not, of course, the first man to get his "Sir" on a cricket scoreboard. My colleague, Richard Streeton, mentioned the captain of Gloucestershire dignified to cricket's spectators as "Sir D. Bailey". There are still more of them. The most dashingly obscure of them is Sir A. Hazlerigg, who captained Leicestershire between 1907 and 1910.

Their was never any doubt about Sir Julien Cahn's status. He, of course, gave his attentions to a team modestly named "Sir Julien Cahn's XI". The side did, indeed, play first-class matches, which is the qualification required here. Len Hutton, unlike the previous two, was knighted for services to cricket, and was translated thus on his retirement. But he came out of retirement to play a first-class match against Cambridge University, and is duly listed in *Wisden* as "Sir L. Hutton". He made a duck: sic transit gloria cricketi.

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# The season in which pride reawakens

COMMENTARY

SEBASTIAN COE

In the summer, my sporting year used to come alive. Autumn and winter were *devoted to training*; spring was the sharpening up, with a race or two on the roads. Then, life moved into the stadiums — health permitting, of course.

This is my first summer of watching. I am in good shape for it. Anticipation is high. As well as the usual feasts like Wimbledon, the grands prix, the Open golf, we have a potentially exciting Test series (with selection for an Australian tour to follow). We have the World Cup. Mike Tyson is on the charge again. The European athletics championships are in September.

What to look for, in this Aladdin's Cave? I have a personal angle, and that is the pride and the passion of the *elite performers. My own chief* concern was always to do my best, to achieve my potential. Losing was not the main cause for recrimination (at least not in itself). My pride and commitment lay in peforming to the level set for that particular occasion — and that level or standard varied, of course, according to the stage in the season and the targets. *At the best and most tense of* times, there was also the pride and the passion of competing for my country.

I see this obsession (as some would call it) with personal goals and performances in a number of the leading performers of the summer.

At Queen's last week, I had the pleasure of watching Ivan Lendl. We all know his objective; he wants to win Wimbledon. To that glorious end, he has put himself out to grass. For two months now, he has played on the green stuff; and at Queen's he looked like a man who had never known any other surface.

Little of Lendl's concentration shows — but behind that *gaunt, serious, concentrated* mask, I saw the pride and passion of the great engineer engaged in his most important project. In SW19, his irresistible force will meet the immovable object of Boris Becker, another champion I love to watch. But this year, the light is in Lendl's eyes.

Twenty four hours after Queen's and Lendl, Nick *Faldo's charge in the US Open* commanded our attention. By the narrowest of margins he failed and now the grand slam of golf is beyond him, at least for another year. Faldo's pride will have been hurt; that same pride and passion which made him take the extraordinary step of remodelling his swing; because he had to improve, he had to do better.

Woe betide the other golfers in the world; they will have a contest in the Open next month. I eagerly look forward to watching Faldo strive and stride towards the perfect performance he will demand from himself.

The Test matches against New Zealand will contrast the new and old. Among the new, Atherton's career has made the dream start. I hope he and the other "pretenders" will take the opportunity to study the lesson in concentrated pride and effort on the other side.

*That Knight in Shining* Body Armour will be Sir Richard Hadlee. This is the last summer we can marvel at that wonderfully smooth and effective bowling action. His change to a shortened run some years ago can be compared, perhaps with Faldo's remodelled swing. Hadlee is one of history's great professionals, with a pride in performance out of the school that produced Bradman, Sobers and also Lendl and Faldo.

Ian Botham and David Gower have not always seemed to have the perfectionist pride. But who wouldn't like to see them back in the fray, against their old rival, Hadlee? For sentiment, perhaps, but also because there is no substitute for class. *Class is talent honed by pride* and passion in performance. Gower, like Lendl, hides his passion; in his case behind a mask of diffidence. This year, Botham's pride is worn like a badge, like regimental pips, on his sleeve. I hope that both of them are given their chance this summer in the new Gooch Model Army.

It is premature to pick figures out of the World Cup, but let me register one early disappointment. The legend of Maradona has been sullied by another hand-ball, again unpunished, and by the whinge and the strut. Television had a poll on the greatest — Maradona or Pelé. Is there really a contest? Pelé would never dissemble or cheat.

There have been many dull patches in the World Cup and I have thought about the great *players of the past. Recently, I* read David Miller's excellent biography of Sir Stanley Matthews — another sportsman knighted, like Hadlee, for his commitment to the highest standards in occupations riven by chance.

Matthews's was a different era, but what would he have done with the chances Maradona has had to appear in the world spotlight? Maradona's World Cups have been under friendly conditions, and in Italy he could even play in his home stadium in Naples. For other great performers, like George Best, there was no World Cup at all.

Count your blessings, Maradona. And remember the enduring passion and talent to which you are heir, handed down by the god of sporting gifts.

Finally, athletics, and there is a new pride in Peter Elliott this year. Now he is the No. 1 and his passionate concern is to defend *what he has won*, and to maintain our great traditions of middle-distance racing.

Over his shoulder, a different sort of pride: that of the Geordie (the same that we see in Gascoigne in Italy): Steve Cram also has his past and future at stake. The big ones *are in September* — the European championships. Cram has to defend his 1,500 metres title. Both will also want my 800 crown — the medal that was one of my dearest achievements, after some years of trying to win a European title.

I hope Elliott does not set himself too tough a schedule. He has the ability and the confidence, and the pride. But a top athlete has one peak only in his summer locker, and that should be saved *until September*.

One last man to watch in this very personal list has to be Daley Thompson. I have been ready to back his European chances since our weeks of *training together last winter in* Australia and New Zealand. Over the years we have admired Thompson's dedication to the mastery of 10 different disciplines. In *The Times*, I wrote that he was getting back to those high standards his own pride demands. There are few finer sights in world sport, so I wish him well; may he win his long battle for fitness in time for that European date.

Lendl, Faldo, Hadlee and Thompson must be my top four for this summer of sporting summits. It is not by any means a comprehensive list, but what unites these men is that determination to set and meet their own challenge. This watcher cannot wait for the drama.

Of course, there will be disappointments; and thank goodness, there will be a new pride of lions lurking in the lair, ready to pounce on these established names. For sport at the top is a ruthless round. Staying there requires ability and pride and what the American essayist R. W. Emerson called the "powerful spring" of passion.

# Hadlee pushing himself to keep up the pressure

By JOHN WOODCOCK

NOW for a look not at Richard Hadlee the knight, but at Hadlee the bowler. He led New Zealand into the field at Lord's on Thursday morning, and looking scarcely less lithe and predatory than ever. The follow-through may not be quite what it was — whose would be after an operation on an achilles tendon? — but even at 38 (he will be 39 on Tuesday week), and playing in what is positively his penultimate Test match, there are no *obvious signs of degeneration*. No one, least of all any of England's batsmen, is talking of a tour too many.

Very few even of the great fast bowlers have retained their full menace beyond their early thirties. There was never a more natural or for that matter more popular one among them, than Ray Lindwall, now recovering at home in Brisbane from having some toes amputated. In his prime, there was nothing he *could not do with a cricket* ball.

In 1948, when he was taken by Gubby Allen to the Nursery Ground at Lord's and provided with something *slightly smaller than a ball of* standard size, he very soon scotched the notion that it's introduction might improve the first-class game by performing the most extraordinary aerobatics with it. In his 38 Test matches before his 32nd birthday, Lindwall took 158 wickets at 20.12 a piece. In the 23 he played after that, as he began to be reminded that he was not as young as he had been, his 70 wickets cost him very nearly 30 a time.

*Like Hadlee, Imran is an* exception to the rule. He, too, has kept himself very fit (a teetotaller, I am afraid), though for him the wickets have continued to come more through pacing himself than varying his pace. Now 37, Imran's record since he was 32 (126 wickets at 22.79 in 31 Test matches) is pretty nearly as good as it was before (232 wickets at 22.91 in 51 Test matches).

In stamina and style, Hadlee has much in common with Dennis Lillee, another who remained, if for nothing like so long, a wonderful bowler ever after he could no longer put the wind up the best of batsmen by pace alone. Lillee's manners on the field might have ruled him out of a knighthood, were Australia still in the way of recognising such things, but had he not defected to Packer, his record would almost certainly have matched Hadlee's.

But no fast bowler in the history of the game ever began to improve as Hadlee did when he should, by rights, have been going back. Of his *421 Test wickets, 238 have* come in the last seven years at an average of 19.5. Here at Lord's he has bowled off a run of 12 paces (boys please note!) to a full length and with scarcely a ball wasted. A lot is made these days of the "corridor of uncertainty", a term relating to the area in and around a batsman's off stump and first coined I believe, by Terry Alderman, the Australian who seldom strays from it. When the West Indians tried to bowl there they are not themselves. When Hadlee does, the batsmen wish he wouldn't.

I wrote earlier that he still seems in control of his and the batsman's destiny. Having watched him bowl more no balls in England's present innings than he normally would, in a month of Sundays, made me wonder whether, at last, he is having to overstretch himself to apply the pressure he needs. Maybe. But well might we say of him, "Here is a Caesar, when comes such another?"

● Jonathan Millmow, aged 22, New Zealand's fast-medium bowler, has been ruled out of the remainder of the tour of England. He broke down early in the three-day match against Northamptonshire last Saturday.

Last night his injury was confirmed as a stress fracture of the right shin. Millmow will be out of action for at least six weeks, but no decision has been made on whether he will return early or stay on for the remaining three matches on tour. In five first class matches on tour Millmow took 11 wickets.

## England's cricket fortunes upheld by Gooch in second Test

HUGH ROUTLEDGE

At arm's length: Gooch, who made 85, is denied by a diving stop by Snedden, of New Zealand, at Lord's yesterday

# Fairbrother again misses out

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anced glide through square-leg. When he is out of sorts, the same shot is played too fine, or too upishly. Yesterday, anything around leg-stump was milked smoothly and safely, the head still and the timing sweet.

Just before lunch, however, Gooch was confounded by a ball from Morrison which cut back abruptly off the pitch and darted between bat and body. The bowler and slip fielders loudly claimed a wicketkeeping catch, but umpire Shepherd was unimpressed.

Morrison was visibly upset but no more; another bowler might have voiced his views forcibly and, if the new chairman of the International Cricket Council has his way next week, any such behaviour will be punishable by instant dismissal.

Colin Cowdrey has observed and counselled around the world since he took the chair, and one of his conclusions on the modern game is that umpires must be seen to wield more power. Cowdrey was on the ground yesterday, when it was confirmed that next week's annual meeting of the ICC will debate, among *other things*, a proposal empowering umpires to publicly caution or send off players guilty of "indefensible behaviour". It is a laudable effort to clean up some shabby elements of the game and one must hope that no country demurs.

England's second-wicket pair proceeded with some conviction after lunch until everthing began to happen during an over from the off-spinner Bracewell. Greatbatch had to retire after being hit heavily on the left hand while fielding at silly point. Then Stewart reached his fifty with a cover-driven four before, to the very next ball, driving loosely outside off stump and surviving a concerted appeal for a catch by Smith.

It was to be hoped that Stewart would now settle to *build a score of serious sub*stance. Instead, his lack of positive footwork, resurfaced in the next over and he was leg before to Hadlee.

Nothing seemed more certain than a Gooch century, so well was he playing, but he was still 15 short when he made room to drive Bracewell, connected well enough but dragged the ball straight. Bracewell knocked it up like a hot potato, grabbing it at the second attempt.

Lamb showed what a good pitch this is. His first 34 runs came from only 29 balls and included 32 in boundaries but after a spell of relative calm he played awkwardly across the nagging line of Snedden and was leg before.

Now came the most disappointing interlude of the day. Fairbrother entered with a first-class average of 118 but a Test average of 4.80. This was an ideal chance to disprove the theory that he does not have the head for these heights. He did precisely the opposite. Flicking impetuously at his third ball, he was dropped at second slip. Two runs later, he misread a flighted ball from Bracewell, and swung it agriculturally to mid-on.

LORD'S SCOREBOARD

New Zealand won toss

**England**
**First Innings**

| | | 6s | 4s | Mins | Balls |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *G A Gooch c and b Bracewell (Drive return catch) | 85 | - | 12 | 199 | 160 |
| M A Atherton b Morrison (Played on against outswinger) | 0 | - | - | 14 | 11 |
| A J Stewart lbw b Hadlee (Half forward to breakback) | 54 | - | 8 | 165 | 124 |
| A J Lamb lbw b Snedden (Played across line) | 39 | - | 9 | 60 | 46 |
| R A Smith c Bracewell b Morrison (Miscued ball to mid-on) | 64 | - | 9 | 147 | 127 |
| N H Fairbrother c Morrison b Bracewell (Mistimed drive to mid-on) | 2 | - | - | 3 | 3 |
| †R C Russell b Hadlee (Bowled between bat and pad) | 13 | - | 3 | 26 | 16 |
| P A J DeFreitas not out | 33 | - | 4 | 78 | 49 |
| G C Small b Morrison (Bowled behind legs) | 3 | - | - | 6 | 8 |
| E E Hemmings not out | 0 | - | - | 6 | 6 |
| Extras (lb 13, w 1, nb 22) | 36 | | | | |
| Total (8 wkts, 88 overs) | 329 | | | | |

D E Malcolm to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-151, 3-178, 4-216, 5-226, 6-255, 7-319, 8-322.

BOWLING: Hadlee 28-5-110-2 (14-5-46-0, 6-0-29-1, 8-0-35-1, nb 10); Morrison 18-4-62-3 (4-1-6-1, 4-1-20-0, 2-0-5-0, 4-0-23-0, 4-2-9-2, nb 9); Snedden 21-4-72-1 (3-1-3-0, 9-1-41-0, 3-2-4-1, 5-2-17-1, 4-0-11-0 w 1, nb 6, w 1); Bracewell 21-3-72-2 (1-0-1-0, 9-3,29-1, 20-3-71-2).

Umpires: M J Kitchen and D J Shepherd.

WEATHER: Saturday: Mainly light with well scattered showers clearing later.

TV TIMES: (pm unless otherwise stated). Saturday: BBC 1: 11.00am, 1.40, 3.45. BBC 2: 5.00, 11.40. BSB Sports Channel: 8.00 Sunday: BSB Sports Channel: 10.00am

# Promoter signed to England team

By IVO TENNANT

ENGLAND'S cricketers can expect to be collectively £100,000 *better off over the next 12* months thanks to promotion by First Artist Corporation, a firm of sports agents. Its contract with the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) is to run for the next three years.

The TCCB stresses that the players would not be distracted during Tests or other matches. "They will not have to do a great deal of work," Terry Blake, the TCCB's marketing manager, said. "First Artist is well aware of England's new regime. The management, captain and vice-captain will all have a say in *deciding what is an acceptable* deal.

"At the same time, the players will not be appearing for promotions at the back of the pavilion. We might consider flying them out for an overseas tour two days early for promotional work so that they can concentrate *after that on the cricket*," he said. The TCCB will continue to handle advertising on shirts, an issue to be discussed by the International Cricket Council.

First Artist, which is also the agent to England's footballers, will be looking for endorsements from firms specialising in cosmetics, electricals, household goods and snack foods. "Our aim is to make as much money as possible for the players and the TCCB will decide how it is split," Philip Morrison, a director, said. His firm will take a standard commission of *20 per cent and has agreed with* the TCCB not to sign any individual cricketer for the next three years.

First Artist's approach to the TCCB was one of several considered.

GOLF

# Stark-raving bonkers in blustery Belgium

FROM PATRICIA DAVIES IN BRUSSELS

THE mentality of goalkeepers is not in question — they are mad. They have to be. Golfers are more difficult to categorise but yesterday, in the second round of the BMW European Masters at Bercuit, there was no doubt — all stark-raving bonkers was the only sane verdict.

On a day of fierce wind and occasional rain, the tournament director kept his calling-play-to-a-halt klaxon within easy grabbing range, and indoor bowls or snooker seemed like sensible summer sports. Still, as always, a few players defied logic, notably Karen Lunn, of Australia, who shot a one-under-par 71 to share the lead with Corinne Soules, of France, on 143.

Lunn, who won the Masters in Antwerp a couple of years ago, was fined £1,000 (appeal pending) for playing at home during the week of the Hennessy Cup in May, but she won a tournament and a car and returned to Europe with her confidence renewed. She won a £1,500 watch in the last tournament, near Geneva — a lucrative little Swiss roll, so to speak — and shows no sign of winding down.

Her 71, matched only by Jane Connachan, a Scot from Royal Musselburgh and Gullane, who feels bereft if she has no wind to cheat, featured birdies at the 2nd, 5th and 10th. She carded bogeys at the first, where she missed the green, and the 16th — orginally a 378 yard par four, all uphill — where her second shot plugged in a greenside bunker.

A fair indication that things were bad was Alison Nicholas finishing six, five, four, seven against the par of four, four, three, five — "like a lottery number," she said — and Florence Descampe, the Belgian, having two sevens in her first nine.

A volatile perfectionist, Descampe might not have been mad but she was certainly not pleased. Unlike Corinne Dibnah, of Australia, who had a hole-in-one at the 5th to win a living room's worth of Italian furniture.

*Like everyone playing yesterday, she deserved a good sit down.*

LEADING SECOND-ROUND SCORES (GB and Ireland unless stated): 143: K Lunn (Aus), 72, 71; C Soules (Fr), 69, 74. 146: G Stern, 75, 71. 147: A Oberstedt (Swe), 74, 73; A Sheard (SA), 72, 75; M L de Lorenzi (Fr), 73, 74. 148: J Connachan, 77, 71; X Wunsch (Sp), 74, 74; A Nicholas, 70, 78. 149: C Panton, 72, 77; P Sinn (US), 72, 77; K Douglas, 72, 77; J Hill (Zim), 74, 75. 150: D Dowling, 75, 75; H Alfredsson (Swe), 71, 79; R Hast, 74, 76; C Dibnah (Aus), 76, 74; S Scrudwick, 73, 77. 151: M de Boer (Neth), 72, 79; L Mills (US), 77, 74; R Lautens (Switz), 79, 72; L Maritz (SA), 75, 76; C Griffiths, 73, 78; S Gronberg (Swe), 77, 74; K Espinausse (Fr), 76, 75; P Conley (US), 76, 75.

● FIVE of the eight players *selected in the British Curtis* Cup team to face the United States in New Jersey at the end of next month are in the line-up for the Welsh women's open strokeplay championship, which begins over the tree-lined Newport course today.

Julie Hall, the newly crowned British champion, is missing from the 60-strong field but Helen Wadsworth, whom she beat to win her title at Dunbar last Saturday, is among the players certain to be in with a chance in the 54-hole event.

# Olazábal beats the wind

FROM MEL WEBB IN DUBLIN

THE wind conducted its own selection process in the second round of the Carrolls Irish Open at Port Marnock yesterday, but it failed to put the black ball against the name of José-Maria Olazábal.

The young Spaniard passed the test of technique posed by the Portmarnock links as the stiff breeze strained the guy ropes on the Guinness tent; he sailed thorugh with honours, in fact, as a round of 72 left him a stroke clear of Raymond Darcy, John BLand of South Africa, and Marc-Antoine Farry on a day when par was an achievement.

Starting a shot behind Mark Calcavecchia, the overnight leader, Olazábel held his game together as the course twisted and turned its face and back to the wind.

He sank a six foot putt at the 3rd then dropped shots on the 5th and 6th, on the second of which he had to call for a ruling when his ball moved into a bunker after a rake had been removed, and ended up by playing the ball from behind a sea-shell in the sand. A six-footer on 7th took him to the turn in 36, and he had the same figures coming back.

Darcy, the old warrior who was a Ryder Cup hero at Muirfield Village, in 1987, when he holed that curly five-footer to retain the trophy for Europe, came in with his second 70 of the tournament and then told of a happy reunion with an old friend.

He had gone back to his home club at nearby Dalgeny, he said, plucked the putter with which he *performed* the legendary deed off the wall and brought it to Portmarnock.

"It had mildew on it," Darcy said. "I just decided to give it a go."

Give it a go he did, playing perfect golf for the conditions, hitting low and holding the *shape of his shots into wind and* across the wind.

Starting at the 10th he had nine straight pars, then pitched to six feet on the 1st only to drop a shot when his trusty old blade let him dwon from 15 feet at the next. However, birdies at the 5th, 7th and 8th, the last achieved with a 20 foot putt, put him in a threatening position. He may yet have the game to win this tournament.

Calcavecchia, meanwhile, was tearing his own epaulettes off on the steps of the club. He had bogies at the 7th and 9th to reach the turn in 37, had three more in succession from the 11th and added another at the 15th.

All this time he was slipping down the leader board at at *precisely 5.21pm* he fell off altogether, never to be seen again. A 75 left him four shots behind Olazábel and "glad to be out of there". It was a day when Port Marnock won the battle, if not the war.

● Andy Oldcorn had £800 and his passport stolen from his *hotel room before today's sec*ond round at Portmarnock. Oldcorn, aged 30, the former Walker Cup player from Edinburgh, tried to put the incident out of his mind as he strived to keep his hopes alive in the championship.

● Bradley King shot a 73, one *over par*, to take a two-stroke lead in the Audi Open in Munich yesterday.

## SCORES FROM PORTMARNOCK

EARLY SECOND-ROUND LEADERS: 142: J Bland (SA), 71, 69. 142: R Statler (US), 69, 73, R Claydon, 71, 71; D R Jones, 70, 72. 143: F Nobilo (NZ), 73, 70; M Mackenzie, 70, 73. 144: B Marchbank, 71, 73; C O'Connor jun, 72, 72; J Trumbo (Swe), 71, 73; R Rafferty, 70, 74; M Buddis, 72, 72; S Richardson, 73, 71. 145: B Ogle (Aus), 72, 73; D Cooper, 71, 74; G Brand jun, 71, 74; C Pleta, 72, 73; G Ralph, 70, 75. 146: O Moore (Aus), 73, 73; M Miller, 71, 75; P Hedblom (Swe), 74, 72; K Weekes, 72, 73; M Kraenz (Swe), 69, 77. 147: W Stephens, 74, 73; M McCumber (US), 75, 72; J Howell (US), 75, 72; A O'Connor, 73, 74; M Roe, 73, 74; B E Smith (US), 74, 73; I Mosey, 75, 72; M Davis, 69, 78; T Charnley, 72, 75. 148: J McHenry 71, 77; S Torrance, 74, 74; N Ratcliffe (Aus), 78, 70; B Malley (US), 73, 75. 149: D Clarke (amateur), 72, 78; J McHenry, 71, 77. 149: M Pinero, 75, 74; B Barnes, 72, 78; D Sparkes (US), 74, 75; C Williams, 74, 75; K Daly, 74, 75; S Stephen, 71, 78; J Davila (Sp), 73, 76. 150: M Mouland, 75, 75; C Mason, 78, 72; P. Fowler, 76, 74; P Broadhurst, 75, 75; R Chapman, 74, 76; J Spence, 72, 78. 151: P Teravainen (US), 76, 75; P. Curry, 75, 76; P O'Malley (Aus), 74, 77; M Aparicio (Sp), 74, 77; L Cerbonesa (Arg), 73, 78; P Townsend, 73, 78; C Mallman, 70, 81. 152: N Briggs, 76, 76; R Sabatier (Fr), 76, 76; P Leonard, 75, 77. 153: P Carroll, 79, 74; R Drummond, 74, 79; B Norton (US), 75, 78; P Kent, 75, 78; J Pinsent, 75, 78. 154: N Goulding (amateur), 71, 83; D Jones, 76, 78. 156: H P Thuel (WG), 75, 80. 156: L Higgins, 76, 80. 157: S Hamill, 78, 79; S McAllister, 78, 79; B Todd, 79, 78. 158: L Owens, 78, 80; G Nicklaus (US, amateur), 78, 80; B McGovern, 78, 79; R Byrnes (amateur), 79, 79.

## Way open for Cassells to dominate

By JOHN HENNESSY

WHAT October brings will be on the mind of a select few among those competing for the Lytham Trophy over the next few days. The plum prize for amateurs this year is a place in *the British Isles* team to defend the world championship, the Eisenhower Trophy, in New Zealand.

Peter McEvoy, who played a crucial part in the victory in Sweden two years ago, has withdrawn from the scene leaving Craig Cassells, of Murcar, as a probable favourite for almost every tournament he enters, including the Lytham. Cassells was not ready for Sweden but he shared the Walker Cup triumph in the United States last year.

His principal challengers, on present form, ought to be Gary Evans, of Worthing, the joint winner of the English Open championship, and Michael Macara, of Maesdu, who carried the Welsh flag into the final of the Amateur championship at Muirfield recently.

The prospects of Neil Williamson, of Hunstanton, who outplayed Steven Richard*son in a five-hole play off last* year, cannot be disregarded, of course, but it may be asking too much for him to repeat his unexpected victory of last year.

● Jim Payne, of Sandilands, and Michael Welch, of Hill Valley, were yesterday named captains of the England youths and boys teams. Payne will lead their youths international against Scotland at Southerness on August 22 and Welsh the boys in the home internationals at Hunstanton from August 9 to 11.

## River talks

**Ankara** — Syria has agreed to attend a meeting on June 26 and 27 with officials from Iraq and Turkey to discuss a water-sharing agreement to end a dispute over the Euphrates river. *(AFP)*

YACHTING

# Rig trouble scuppers British placing hopes

By MALCOLM MCKEAG

WHILE Florence Arthaud and Patrick Maurel, the third pair to finish in the Royal Western Yacht Club's two-handed transatlantic race, were expected at Newport, Rhode Island, last night, hopes of principal placing for Britain in the French-dominated results disappeared with the news that Mark Gatehouse and Nigel Brennan, sailing Queen Anne's Battery, were heading for St John's, Newfoundland, apparently with rig trouble.

Gatehouse, who had been lying fourth, was unable to make radio contact with race headquarters but yesterday had his position and predicament reported via a passing merchant ship. Geoff Holes, who with Stephen Moon is sailing the 30-foot sloop, Minitech, the smallest yacht in the race, has retired because of a broken forestay, which parted two days ago, and is heading for Cork.

The race was won by Jean Maurel and Michel Desjoyeaux in the 60-foot trimaran, Elf Aquitaine, whose time of 10 days 23 hours 15 *minutes* is a record for the traditional Plymouth-Newport course in this event and the more famous single-handed race.

● The leading match-race skippers in the world, Chris Dickson, the New Zealander now qualifying for residence in Japan with the Nippon America's Cup Challenge, and Peter Gilmour, who remains unambiguously Australian, face each other today in the final of the Kouros Cup, the French match-racing Grand Prix at St Tropez.

Dickson beat the Italian, Tomaso Chieffi, and Gilmour beat Russell Coutts, another New Zealander, in the semi-finals yesterday.

Despite a late rally in which he beat Coutts and Olle Johanson, of Sweden, and which took him to fifth overall, Eddie Warden Owen, the British representative failed for the first time in more than two years on the circuit to get through to the *semi-finals of an important* match-race grand prix.

● A gale caused the cancellation of the final race of the Beefeater Gin Edinburgh Cup, at Cowes, leaving the results to be calculated using the best four of the five races which could be sailed. Glen Foster in Yankee-doodle-Dandy thus won what is the British Open championship for International Dragon class yachts with three wins and a third.

Results of the fifth race, which ended amid confusion over the shortened course procedure used, were adjusted to give redress of average points to those yachts affected.

RESULTS: Fifth race: 1, Ganymede X (A Cassell); 2, Domino (P Morton); 3, Yankee-doodle-Dandy (G Foster); 4, Union Jack (M Patten); 5, Berbary; 6, Mayfly (E Williams). Beefeater Gin Edinburgh Cup (British Open Championship): 1, Yankee-doodle-Dandy; 2, Domino; 3, Ganymede X; 4, Mayfly; 5, Basilisk (M Hayes); 6, *Avalanche V (T Wade)*.

● Louis Vuitton has signed a sponsorship agreement worth $10 million (£5.8 million), for the Challenger series leading to the 1992 San Diego America's Cup.

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Graf, queen of the Wimbledon tennis championships, which start on Monday, is under threat from a giggly 16-year-old

# Seles perfecting a killing technique

By Andrew Longmore, Tennis Correspondent

MONICA Seles was always one step ahead of the rest. She retired from tennis at the age of six. She wanted to play with her dolls. It was only because her brother, Zoltan, began to win trophies for tennis that she reconsidered her first career decision and returned to the car park which served as a practice court in her home town of Novi Sad, in Yugoslavia. The net was a piece of string tied to two car bumpers.

Ten years on, Seles begins her second Wimbledon as the No. 3 seed and the youngest ever French Open champion, with praise ringing in her ears and an avenue of opportunities stretching before her eyes. She is a millionairess and the greatest asset of the highly profitable family firm of Seles and Co. Last week she was officially confirmed as a celebrity with a guest appearance on *Wogan*. Life is sweet at 16.

From the day she first picked up a racket, Seles was coached by her father, Karoly, a cartoonist by training, an enthusiast and extrovert by nature. He interpreted the coaching manual and drew pictures of Tom and Jerry on the tennis balls to revive the flagging interest of a nine-year-old.

He did not believe all he read in the manual either, and encouraged Monica to hit her ground strokes two-handed off both sides. Most important of all, he instilled in his daughter his own sense of fun. Asked after her historic victory in the French Open whether it was the best day of her life, Seles was for once struck dumb. Wasn't every day the best day of your life?

That strange combination of homespun skills has produced a player who defies analysis. At 5ft 9in and 8st 8lb, Seles hits the ball harder than any other player on the women's tour; at the age of 16, she has the wide-eyed innocence of a 12-year-old, the mental agility of a veteran, while behind the flaxen hair and the little girl giggle lies the instinct of a killer.

"She has no remorse or pity on court," Barbara Potter, who retired last year but remains one of the shrewdest observers of the women's game, says. "That was what marked her out from the rest when she first came along. You could smell it. There was something on her agenda and you were in the way. But she doesn't feel less loved because she's just stomped all over you. She needs to win and that's a fantastic attribute." And one instantly recognised by Ion Tiriac, who saw something of the same in Boris Becker.

"She is Jimmy Connors transported to the female game. She has power and determination and that is very unusual. She would crawl over broken glass to win a tournament," he says.

Yet there is nothing obvious in Seles's background to explain the intensity or the power. She is not a hungry backstreet kid, like Connors, does not have the cold severity of Borg or Evert nor, as yet, the athletic prowess of Navratilova or Graf. "It's not just natural timing; the power comes from the hips," Potter says. "That also means her footwork must be good because her body is in the right position. She can do almost anything with the ball on the baseline, and with disguise. That is real talent."

Potter finds it harder to explain the source of Seles's manic will to win. "I think it's partly inborn, but you can learn to win too. I didn't know how to construct a victory. Monica does. When she's sees the opening, that's it. She doesn't hesitate."

Those instincts emerged very early in Seles's career. She was Yugoslav under-12 champion at the age of nine, before she even knew how to keep the score in fact. That same year she went to America for the first time and saw Disney World. By the end of 1985, she had won two European championships and been named the Yugoslav sportswoman of the year, a rather incongruous title for a 12-year-old.

She had also exhausted the practice facilities in her native land and come to the notice of Nick Bollettieri, whose school in Florida has produced Krickstein, Arias and, most recently, Agassi. Bollettieri vividly recalls his first sight of Seles.

"At first I didn't see her at all. I heard the grunt and then I saw the racket, which was bigger than her, and I saw her feet moving like clockwork and I saw her attack every ball, taking it on the rise." The family moved to Florida, survived the lonely early weeks in a new country and settled down to live the American dream.

Under Bollettieri's stern tutelage, Seles added discipline and pace to her game so that when she first came on to the circuit full-time in 1989, she was more than ready for the fray. In her second tournament, she shook the establishment by beating Chris Evert in the final of the Virginia Slims in Houston. Evert got her own back in the US Open later in the year, but had already taken the hint and announced her retirement. A new style of player was emerging and Evert and Navratilova saw the writing on the wall.

The four-year relationship with Bollettieri ended untidily last month, amid accusations of ingratitude on one side and neglect on the other. Karoly resumed the role of full-time coach; Bollettieri is heading for the law courts in an effort to recoup some of his investment. The whole affair blew up in the middle of the French Open, but Monica handled difficult questions with the delicacy of a politician. "She has a 35-year-old brain inside a 16-year-old body," according to Potter.

When she is not on court, Seles tries to catch up on her studies in biology and geography. But she admits that finding time to study is becoming increasingly difficult, particularly when there is shopping for clothes to be done or a film to be seen. Besides, with career earnings of nearly $1 million, the incentive for further study is limited. The real aim is Graf's No. 1 spot.

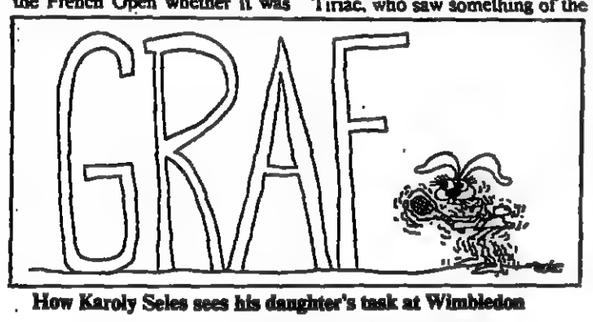
"Monica is the star of the future, but no one should count Steffi out," Tiriac says. "She's still a better athlete than Monica. Steffi has dominated the game from the baseline, but now she is faced by someone who has refined the Graf method, who hits the ball as hard as she does from both sides. Suddenly, Steffi has a lot to prove."

## MONICA SELES

Born: December 2, 1973, Novi Sad, Yugoslavia.
Lives: Sarasota, Florida.
Height: 5ft 9in. Weight: 120lbs.
World ranking: 3. Left-hander with two-handed backhand and forehand.
Grand slam titles: French Open 1990.
Other titles: 1989 (1): Virginia Slims of Houston. 1990 (5): Lipton International, US Hardcourts, Eckerd Open, Italian Open, Lufthansa Cup.
1990 record: won 34, lost 3. Won last 32 singles matches.
Wimbledon record: won 3, lost 1.
Career prize-money: $994,524.

TOMMY HINDLEY

The young pretender: a flaxen-haired powerhouse from Yugoslavia, via Florida, who would 'crawl over broken glass to win a tournament'




How Karoly Seles sees his daughter's task at Wimbledon

Fighting for traditions amid demands for major changes

TIM BISHOP

Waiting for the show to begin: Chris Gorringe, Wimbledon's chief executive, amid the seats on the old standing room area of the centre court

# A different but safer Wimbledon

By Andrew Longmore

QUITE openly, Chris Gorringe describes the last ten months as the worst in his 17 years at Wimbledon. That means they must have been bad because Gorringe, chief executive of the All England Club, is not a man given to histrionics or dramatic pretension. He is a pessimist, he says, though whether he was one before he discovered the Safety at Sports Ground Act, each sub-clause of which he must now know by heart, is hard to tell.

A chartered surveyor by training, he has come to appreciate the mentality and the skill of the tightrope-walker. Just four days before the Championships were due to start, Wimbledon had not yet received its final safety certificate from Merton Borough Council. Without it, the Championships could not go ahead.

The Council had assured Wimbledon that there would be no problems, which was probably why this week Gorringe was looking like a person in need of a long holiday, not someone contemplating suicide. Yet only he knows exactly what the last ten months of negotiation and counter-negotiation, of planning meetings and careful step-by-step defence have meant.

"I haven't slept as well as I would normally have done over the last few months. It's been a roller coaster of uncertainty and it's not just me. All the staff here have been affected in one way or another. But even in our darkest hour last October, I never thought the Championships wouldn't go ahead."

The result of all the hard campaigning is that the atmosphere of this year's Championships will be irrevocably changed but that Wimbledon will be one of the safest sporting venues in the country. The unanswered question is whether the former had to be sacrificed to achieve the latter.

The ever zealous Merton Borough Council said "yes"; Wimbledon said "no", arguing that the Championships had very little in common with football, the sport for which the Act was chiefly designed, and should therefore be treated as a special case. In the end, it became an exercise in damage limitation.

"At one point, it seemed that the whole nature of the Championships would be changed," Gorringe said. "We might have had to abandon the public ballot and have no tickets on sale on the day and no return sales in the evening. Slowly we managed to salvage those traditions."

When the certificate, a lengthy document outlining all the agreed safety procedures, came through it was the cause of only limited rejoicing in the oak-lined panels of the world's most famous tennis club. Wimbledon will never quite be the same again.

The standing room area, one of the happiest features of life on centre court, has been replaced by seats. Spectators will no longer be able to drift from show court to show court or queue to get into the centre court.

There will still be an evening entry, but everyone will need a ticket, so ticket-holders departing early must leave their tickets to be resold. It will be the most orderly Wimbledon on record; hopefully, not the most sterile.

"We have tried to anticipate some of the problems, but inevitably others will crop up as we go along. Not too many, I hope," Gorringe said.

If, this year, there will be an enormous sigh of relief when the first ball of the Championships is struck on Monday, traditionally the largest cheer among the 70 permanent staff at the club is reserved for the last ball on the final Sunday.

"The fortnight is a love-hate relationship. Beforehand, it's like preparing for an exam. You're pretty exhausted even before the first day. During the fortnight it's like a cross-country race. You have to pace yourself and hope that you get there in the end," Gorringe said.

"The satisfaction comes when you see people enjoying themselves. For me, it's just a whole host of problems which demand immediate decisions. It is at other times of the year that you have time for reflection."

Many of those problems are generated by the extra staff needed to run one of the most profitable shows in the sporting calendar. From 70, the number of employees rises to around 1,500 for the fortnight. Some 6,000 photo passes have to be issued to cope with the influx of journalists, umpires, ballboys, carpenters, cleaners and caterers.

In his 11 years as secretary and chief executive, Gorringe has also presided over an enormous increase in profits: from £500,000 to just over £9 million. But preserving the unique traditions of Wimbledon is, he feels, worth much more.

"We try to put quality before money. If we ever changed that, then I believe Wimbledon would be a lesser event," as, I suspect, do his committee and the 375 full-time club members who have the free run of the grounds and the clubhouse throughout the year.

Wimbledon membership is one of the most prized in sport and as no one ever retires from Wimbledon it's a question of checking the obituary columns and hoping for acceptance. Some put their names on the waiting list in the 1920s and are still waiting.

Gorringe, a good player himself not that many years ago, first joined the staff as the assistant secretary in 1973 but still finds it difficult to define the attraction of Wimbledon. "It just gets into your blood."

# Never quite the same since Borg's final bow

For me, Bjorn Borg was the great symbol of Wimbledon. My memory preserves him clear yet remote, a loping Nordic god, swaying strongly and swiping slowly within a green and sunlit square.

Every year, over five years, for two weeks, there was Borg: long hair, long chin, Jackie Stewart eyes, shirt stretched over hunched back and wrinkling into concave chest, tennis that rumbled and thrilled like thunder and lightning. Every year began with him being nearly eliminated in a first-round five-setter; every year ended with him sinking to his knees in the turf as champion.

Borg never spoke, and he never played doubles, an activity which might have entailed speaking. He was aloof and almost characterless, but he and Wimbledon loved each other. Neither of them was ever quite the same again after the great disaster of 1981, that unprecedented day when the ice-Borg was splintered by the Titanic; or by a rude upstart, disguised as Harpo Marx, wearing a post-lobotomy bandage.

Before McEnroe came along, it was always Borg and Connors, the silent Swede and the runty American, Greta Garbo and Mickey Rooney. In those days, Connors was the bad man, but now he has become incredibly popular, his every shot being greeted by cheers which sounded like the hysterical wails of over-excited babies.

Like almost anyone who stays around long enough, Connors has become a Good Old Boy, loved by people far too young to know what he is *really* like. What do they know of the days of his threequarter-length sailor socks with the blue tassles, the days when he spat in his hand and tipped his toes on the grass, the days when he dated Chris Evert, the great days of his mother, Gloria Connors? Time was when Gloria's vulgar shouts of encouragement (*go awn, Jimbo!*) were enough to make Dan Maskell turn in his commentary box, but he had not met John McEnroe then.

Connors is a showman, like Alex Higgins. Some sportsmen create a sense of drama around themselves because they are ever-responsive to the emotional graph of a game, and the spur of adversity can liberate their most dazzling capabilities. Connors always gives his all, and with it superlative spectator value; coupled with the fact that his baseline game, with its sneeze of a service and nifty tactics, is infinitely preferable to the prevalent crash-bang-wallop technique.

Becker's serve-and-volley game has a certain exuberance to it, a certain gingery pop, and I'll watch Zivojinovic pound away until, well, until Wimbledon is over. But really, what is serve-and-volley all about?

A lot of ball bouncing; a lot of looking across to where the ball should be going; a lot of revving up (McEnroe scoring heavily here); a throw into the air, an effortful grunt and — good Lord, what is that ball doing at the bottom of the net? It is server's ball. Despite the fact that it is practised 25 hours a day, eight days a week, the service is not infallible; although its sheer power can hurtle a player into a Wimbledon final.

The first exponent in my memory of classic wham-bam-thank-you-line-judge serve-and-volley was the huge American, Roscoe Tanner, who came — as the commentators never failed to point out — from Lookout Mountain, Tennessee. He, or rather his service, gave Borg a run for his money in the 1979 final. The next year, however, Roscoe arrived at Wimbledon with his straight, all-American hair frizzed into a finger-in-the-light-socket perm. As if in rebellion, Roscoe's service left him, and when Roscoe's service left him, Roscoe had had it.

I have often wondered how much better grass-court tennis would be if the players were only allowed one serve. Without doubt, the most boring Wimbledon match I have ever seen was when I sat aghast as John McEnroe and Buster Mottram bounced balls, revved up, tied shoelaces, walked to and fro, grunted, threw tantrums, served aces and so on for the longest two hours of my life. This confirmed me in my opinions that, first, despite his brilliance, McEnroe is generally unrewarding to watch; and second, people who say "He's the only one who livens it all up" are people who do not really like tennis.

But in the greatest Wimbledon match of all, the one between McEnroe and Dan Maskell, I think that Dan has won, for it is McEnroe who has become the anomaly. A few years back, he was tyrant king of a court of brash, evil-tempered Americans (like Hank Pfister, whose skull was utterly straight at the back); those awful princelings appear to have died out, leaving McEnroe the sore and rather outdated representative of rudeness. No one else, I think, could keep it up.

Anyone can lose their temper, any time, over nothing. After his supreme reign, the field was left open for some pleasant characters (Becker, Edberg, Wilander) to come in and be dubbed "gentlemen" by the grateful commentators, chiefly because they confined their vocabulary of four-letter words to "ball", "drop" and "shot".

Thank heavens that for a while we were spared the sight of Gerald Williams cornering McEnroe for an interview after a match, looking at him as if he alone really understood his problems. McEnroe would mumble and we would see a shot of him playing his electric guitar and the next day he would be tearing out what was left of his hair and telling the umpire that "Hitler was a good man compared with you".

But things are looking up. Gerald has taken his Wimbledon wiseacre act to BSB. John is 31. And — most important of all — the Agincourt spirit of the BBC has defeated its rival's vulgar attempt to buy the tournament.

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SPORTS BOOK OF THE WEEK

# The bitter legacy of official misconduct

**Sir Richard Hadlee, at Lord's for New Zealand in the second Test this weekend, outlines the problems he has faced in an international cricket career spanning 18 years**

ALISTAIR GRANT

Deep in thought: Sir Richard Hadlee, knighted in the Queen's Birthday Honours List last week, considers the final goals of his glittering career

Umpires, as a general breed, are all too often the curse of cricket; it is a human failing to dispute or disagree with decisions made by umpires – or by those in control of any sport, for that matter. I have the greatest respect for the job umpires do – they have the most demanding refereeing assignment of any sport – but I know I have not been happy with some umpiring displays I have witnessed. It is a sad fact in today's cricket world, that, apart from in England, scarcely a Test series goes by without some haranguing about umpires.

In England, the white-coated ones are consistently a level removed from their colleagues around the world.

The bitterness about umpires reached an all-time low with events in the England series against Pakistan in Pakistan in late 1987. I do not support Mike Gatting's confrontational attitude used against the Pakistani umpire, Shakoor Rana; players should never stoop to such levels of umpire abuse, let alone resorting to physically handling an umpire, or prodding him. At the same time, the cricketer in me sympathises with the anger Gatting felt at the time. It was his way of expressing the players' annoyance at the depths to which umpiring standards slipped during that series. When Gatting blew up at Shakoor, he was doing what countless other touring teams have felt like doing for years.

Cricket turned ugly in that series – and there was still more nastiness much closer to my home last season. Again, the Pakistanis were the central figures. Ultimately, the abbreviated Test series of two matches provided little in the way of memorable cricket, but the touring team's antics about the standard of New Zealand umpiring ensured that the series was unforgettable for quite the wrong reasons.

It was clear from the outset that Pakistan arrived in New Zealand determined to set upon our umpires as part of some premeditated plan to show the world that something had to be done in the cause for neutral officials. The players abused and swore at Steve Woodward and Brian Aldridge during the third Test in Auckland, Imran Khan berated the quality of decision-making and Pakistan's manager, Intikhab Alam, claimed Woodward and Aldridge were "biased in favour of the New Zealand batsmen".

The Pakistanis simply never let up with their call for neutral umpires throughout the tour and there was no doubt that they subjected our umpires to undue pressure and abused them.

The umpires involved in the series withstood the psychological pressure well, although it is fair to say that decisions went against Pakistan – as they did against us. The difference was, we got on with playing the game, whereas the Pakistanis let the umpires get to them; they did not endear themselves to the public by making excuses and by perpetuating their crusade for neutral umpires. After all, just who are the Pakistanis to complain about umpiring standards when the most acute problems have historically occurred in Pakistan? Were they trying to cover up for their own inadequacies in Pakistan by calling for neutral officials? Enough is enough. There are difficulties all around the world with umpires, but, whatever the strife, the game still has to be played; perhaps teams should first look at their own shortcomings before chastising the umpires.

The incidents on England's tour of Pakistan in late 1987, then Pakistan's trip to New Zealand last summer, may yet turn out to be the awakening the game needed – if the International Cricket Conference wanted evidence that international umpiring must be seriously addressed.

Events in those campaigns once again resurrected arguments about introducing a panel of international umpires, or neutral umpires as some people call them. I am a supporter of the panel concept. The trouble with world cricket is that whenever there are furores like these, authorities just let it ride in the belief the passing of time will somehow eradicate the problems. The next series in Pakistan will probably recycle the same old worries, which is just what happened with Mahboob Shah when Australia played there in late 1988; seven of his decisions were questioned in the first Test.

Some people have harped on the need for neutral umpires to stand in Test matches because the umpiring controversies and incidents have got out of hand. The question of umpires for Test cricket is not one of neutrality as far as I am concerned; it is one of competence and having the best umpires to do the job, irrespective of which country they come from. Ideally, I see the need for a panel of ten to 12 umpires who are paid a basic, and healthy, retainer, plus fees and expenses for standing in international matches as they would have to be on call or be appointed in advance for Test matches around the world. Obviously that could create complications for an umpire who had a steady job, and that is why financial compensation would be so vital.

While cricket has been beset by umpiring controversy before, the whole issue has now been highlighted and the game and the players deserve much better. If the umpires on Test duty are the most capable available, regardless of colour, creed or nationality, then I am sure players would more readily accept decisions in the dubious category, because the system would eliminate any thought of bias. There would have to be constant updating and assessment of these umpires, with those not rating with captains or assessors being replaced. It could not be a cosy little panel for the chosen ten or 12; like players, they would still have to perform.

The very thought of changing international cricket's umpiring structure tells something of the modern age's fixation with what is good and bad about sporting officials. Much is made of the fact umpires are now under intensive scrutiny from television cameras with the repeated replays of decisions given (or not given). While that can be very unfair on umpires, it is also a fact of sporting life that their moves will be analysed. Players are under just as much pressure to perform and behave on the field. If we make idiots of ourselves, then that is highlighted and umpires, despite their complaints, just have to accept the same consequences if they make mistakes.

Television can illustrate some very good decisions and some very bad ones. How often have we seen replays of a run-out showing a batsman two or three inches out of his ground and given not out by the umpire? Technically, the batsman was out, but really an umpire cannot rule that way on such a tight call. If he gives him out and replays show he was right, it could only be regarded as a fluke decision. It is the more blatant incidents which deservedly irk players – and embarrass umpires – which television can highlight.

Poor decisions in Tests are utterly critical. One bad one, or a collection of them, might not only alter the outcome of a match but also severely affect a player's livelihood.

Respect between players and umpires is a two-way business, which is ultimately so dependent on an umpire's personal qualities and ability. He must know the book, obviously, but that is nowhere near enough in itself. An umpire needs to have a *feel* for cricket and, if he has played the game at a reasonable level – and particularly up to first-class standard – it makes a big difference. Then, he can understand player frustrations, match tensions and pressures on the field, as well as being able to sniff out and quell potentially explosive situations. An umpire without the players' respect will invariably experience ugly confrontations.

The respect factor is more evident in English county cricket than anywhere else in the world. Players generally have respect for each other . . . and for the umpires. If a player cheats the system and becomes known for nicking the ball and not walking, it soon gets around the counties and he will find marginal decisions going against him. If you are known for fair play, then you are helping each other.

An umpire has to make decisions on what he hears, what he sees, and on the actions or reactions of the players involved. They are the three basic elements I believe an umpire should use, and because all three go together, a decision should be spontaneous. He should not, as sometimes happens in New Zealand, delay his decision for something like 20 seconds.

In England, the pattern is different from New Zealand. If there is an appeal for a catch behind, the umpire will deliberately wait to give the batsman the chance to walk; if the batsman does not, then the umpire will give him out.

Umpiring is demanding, but umpires can help themselves by being a little more laid-back and relaxed about it. I like umpires who find the time to have a brief chat with a player standing nearby, the batsman at the non-striker's end, or the bowler. Perhaps the umpire might tell the bowler he is close to no-balling or is in danger of being "called" for running on the pitch. I believe an umpire needs to chat to players, just to break the intense periods of concentration and, at the same time, win the players over a bit with his demeanour.

If umpires refuse to open communication lines, you will find the players putting pressure on them. I know I have been guilty of standing my ground and forcing the umpire to make the decision instead of leaving when I have known I was out.

There was such a case in the third Test against Australia in Auckland in 1985-86; I nicked a delivery from Bruce Reid which was caught by the wicketkeeper, Tim Zoehrer, and, instead of going, I stood and left the decision to the umpire. I hit the ball all right, but was given not out. I know it is not right; it was a case of double standards on my part. However, I took that approach because there were so many batsmen I felt I had genuinely dismissed who were not given out, or had not walked. So, why should I? It is one of the unpalatable by-products of poor umpiring on the lack of rapport between player and umpire.

When I think of umpires I have been involved with, "Dickie" Bird, of England, is unquestionably the first who comes to mind. He is one of umpiring's great characters, as much a personality as any player. But he is not merely an infectious character; he is undoubtedly the best umpire in world cricket and enjoys enormous respect from most players. Bird is nervous and fidgety, and is instantly recognisable by the little idiosyncrasies and gestures which are part of his make-up.

As an umpire, he is an outstanding operator. To me, he is somebody special, one of those umpires who stands no nonsense and gets on with the game . . . but in a friendly manner. He would ask me how my father was, or what had happened to John Reid, Bert Sutcliffe and other players of that era. He is not afraid to have a private conversation during play – even if it is something completely divorced from the action – just to give him a break.

Otherwise, he will tell you whether you are bowling well, or he might offer the theory you will get a certain batsman out soon. "Keep bowling there, he might nick one," he would say to me. Dickie would smile as I beat the batsman again, as if he got a real thrill out of it. Get the batsman out and his look would say: "I told you so!" In a way, he motivated me. It is pertinent, too, that he is an umpire who has played first-class cricket (for Yorkshire and Leicestershire).

One modern-day development which leaves me completely cold is the idea of having woman umpires. For the first time, we had a woman standing in top-level cricket in 1986-87 – Pat Carrick, who made her first-class debut in New Zealand in a Shell Trophy match I also happened to be playing in.

I could not question her ability; I thought that she did the job satisfactorily. But, while she may stay on the first-class panel, will she ever control a Test match and, if not, is she depriving our top operators from gaining much-needed experience and practice for international matches?

While I cannot see Carrick making it to Test level, it is still perfectly conceivable that she could. She proved her ability to gain first-class status and could logically be scored well by captains in their reports, even better than some of those umpires already on the international panel. That would suggest she is capable of standing in Test matches – but should she? Technically there may be no reason why she should not. We may soon see women rugby union referees in a similar situation. But can you imagine a woman officiating in a rugby international between the All Blacks and Australia? The International Rugby Football Board would never let it happen.

Of course, women have a point when they state men officiated women's matches, so why not the reverse? But . . . it is not for me.

## Breakdown of a professional under the microscope

A professional sportsman in today's pressure-filled world needs the thickest skin possible and there are times I wished I had an armour-plated covering to deflect the snipes and wisecracks fired at me. I have been called many things during my cricket career. It might surprise those cynics who insist I am an automaton to know that I have normal feelings, and am as sensitive as the next person.

When I started my New Zealand Test career in 1972-73, I never envisaged my privacy would be threatened. It was so different then. New Zealand was struggling, and did not have the profile it was to assume in the 1980s. There was an old-fashined charm about the game. There was not the suffocating attention which developed a few years later with the onset of massive television exposure.

Cricket, though, has burgeoned, with television generating unprecedented awareness. Sadly, the price we have to pay for being associated with top-level international sport is this intrusion on our privacy . . . something I have never really got used to.

Everything was catching up with me towards the end of 1983 as I tried to meet too many demands; I simply could not cope with one promotion after another and an endless round of after-dinner speaking engagements. Something had to give. It was me. I experienced physical and mental depression, blurred vision, excruciating headaches, chest pains and had a preoccupation with death. I had grave doubts whether I would ever play cricket again.

A visit to a doctor gave me one of the most obvious answers – I had to start saying "no" to requests for my time. But everything was crowding in on me and playing the home series against England was the furthest thing from my mind. Then Grahame Felton, who works at the Institute of Management in Christchurch, asked to run a course to prepare the Canterbury team mentally for the 1983-84 Shell series campaign. He struck a chord with me instantly. He spent only three hours with the Canterbury team, but it was the beginning of the end of my lowest times.

His simple message involved setting goals in life and adhering to them. My way of adopting the Felton gospel was to list key words and phrases on a card, which I have carried in my cricket bag ever since. I pop up the lid of the bag and there are all the ingredients which help to put my life in order – fear is negative, desire is positive, simulation, making it happen, visualising what I want to happen, belief, rewards, control, wanting to achieve, enjoyment and being happy with my performance. It all seems so straightforward, but the success of the scheme is putting it into effect – making it happen.

My breakdown was dramatic and frightening, but it showed I was susceptible, like everyone else, to everyday pressures. Irritatingly, this phase in my life and other controversies I have been involved in, brought critical assessment of my personality and character. I was described, among other things, as being "austere" and "morose". On consulting my dictionary, I discovered austere meant "harsh, stern" and morose meant "gloomy, sullen". I have been called moody, brooding, cold-blooded, clinical, mechanical, robot-like, big-headed and selfish, plus countless other unmentionables. I am understandably touchy about such assaults; I view them as character assassination, with the inner me – and not Richard Hadlee the cricketer – being targetted unfairly. As a professional cricketer, I may become public property, but the real me is a private person.

There is a popular perception of me being the tough, cold, unemotional professional. I can be rather unsmiling and cool on the field, because I try to keep a lid on my emotions. I have to . . . there is obvious danger in becoming too downcast, excited or elated over on-field happenings. I need to keep some sort of control. I am single-minded, but I have to be to succeed. I strive for excellence, aspiring to perfection; I know it can never be achieved, but I try.

Being brought up with a family background like mine ensured I would have a disciplined approach to life and to my chosen sport. With my father captaining New Zealand and my brothers all playing cricket, there had to be some rub-off. Just being a Hadlee was pressure enough to make the most of my ability in cricket, and yet none of us – and least of all my mother – ever thought any of us would one day make a living out of the game.

Dad's methodical approach as an accountant was reflected in his attitude to sport and life. He was so ordered and there is no question I have been strongly influenced by his values, especially on discipline. Dad, too, has always revelled in facts and figures – through both necessity and fascination – and I have been much the same. Averages, budgets and statistical performance have been to me a passion bordering on obsession.

My hunger for cricket figures started at primary school and ultimately this statistics mania became important to me in terms of my overall record, my contribution to my team's performance and as a source of motivation.

If I finish a spell with one or two wickets, I say to myself: "That's not good enough. I have to do better when I come on for my next spell." In time, those many targets would become bigger ones. I set myself for five-wicket bags, turning that into a world record; I wanted ten wickets in a match, and then the world record for that, too. And, finally, the world record for Test wickets. I have never chased these goals at the expense of my team but the pursuit of a target drives me on to a better performance, which, in turn, has to benefit the team.

*Adapted from Richard Hadlee: Rhythm and Swing, an autobiography with Richard Becht, published last month by Souvenir Press (£15.95).*

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SPORT ON TV: THE WEEK IN VIEW

*KEN LAWRENCE'S guide to the best in televised sport this week*

DURING the next few days, two sportswomen will take up leading roles on our television screens. Both have their hair cut with a fringe . . . and that is about all they have in common. One is English, and 27 years of age; the other is American and 14; one will be seen to conquer 33,000 miles of ocean in nine months; the other has 130 million television viewers worldwide to conquer in two weeks; one began and ended her quest for private fame without a penny and in tears; the other starts her very *public task as a* millionairess before she has won anything.

When you watch the yachtsman of the year, Tracy Edwards, so very British, four feet and not-very-much (on *Maiden Voyage* on most ITV channels tomorrow at 2.45pm, and Grampian an hour earlier, and Border, Tyne Tees, Ulster and Granada today at 2.50) as she skippers her all-female crew around the world on Maiden, and then you take a first look at Jennifer Capriati play tennis at Wimbledon (weather permitting, some time on Tuesday), you will be looking at opposite ends of the sporting spectrum.

When Edwards began her battle to find a yacht and a crew to compete in the Whitbread Round the World Race, she was snubbed by 300 British companies ("Being a girl is like being disabled in yachting," Marie-Claude Feifer, one of the crew of Maiden, says). Finally, the venture was supported by Royal Jordanian Airways in what Edwards describes as "the impossible dream in the ultimate challenge".

If your heart is not warmed by Edwards and her crew of 11 as they combat the Roaring Forties, Cape Horn, ice, snow, a tornado, icebergs bigger than that which sunk the Titanic and whales which can wreck a yacht with a flick of the tail, then your heart is cast in stone. Edwards had been a cook (the only job open to women) in the last Whitbread race but wanted "more of the challenge; to take women's yachting forward".

She needed £1½ million for a boat and a further £1 million to campaign with it. She might just as well have asked for Jupiter as ballast: it was not forthcoming.

Finally, she sold her house, bought a rather frayed-at-the-edges veteran of previous Whitbread races for £100,000 and sought sponsorship in the Middle East. Without the airline's sponsorship, Maiden would not have sailed and *Maiden Voyage*, as this weekend's programme is so aptly named, would not be on your screens.

Miss Capriati, doing her homework in five-star hotels, was heaved into a swimming pool at the age of one by her father, a former Italian football player, so that she would learn to swim; at three, she was playing tennis; at 13, she was so good she was "scary", according to Ion Tiriac, her coach.

She had also become a millionairess; her racket, clothes and shoe deals are worth $5 million. One can but hope that her traumatic first Wimbledon (she is seeded twelfth) does not end in the same tears that Edwards shed as she crossed the finish line at Southampton in Maiden.

Twenty-two BBC cameras and 100 miles of cable will send pictures from London SW19 to 130 million viewers in 72 countries over the next fortnight. That is very different from the first televised Wimbledon, in 1937, when Freddy Grisewood commentated for 25 minutes on the men's final. Then, they had a violinist standing by in case of rain; today, Harry Carpenter takes the baton and fiddles his way through the raindrops.

The one constant factor of the tennis coverage is Dan Maskell. At 82, he has not missed one day's play at Wimbledon since 1929 and he will go on until he "doesn't feel the adrenalin flowing".

"His enthusiasm is undiminished," John Rowlinson, a television editor, said. "In Paris, when Graf lost to Seles, he forecast precisely what would happen. No one looks on Dan as an old buffer."

Not even the World Cup will interfere with the BBC's Wimbledon action (BSB has highlights each night at peak time). Both BBC and ITV have alternative schedules lined up for the World Cup over the next week. Eurosport will be showing every game but check the television pages daily.

### THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

**TODAY:** A Wimbledon form check on the women at Eastbourne, Richki Benaud at Lord's for the England-New Zealand Test match, and racing at Ascot (Grandstand, BBC1, 10.55am).

**TOMORROW:** If it becomes another Grand Prix procession in Mexico City (Eurosport, 9 to 11 pm), than switch to the Australia-France rugby union international: that could also be one-way traffic, but there may be a punch-up (LWT, 11.25pm).

**MONDAY:** The first of 34,000 balls to be used during Wimbledon fortnight is struck by the champion, Boris Becker, on the centre court (BBC1 and 2, 1.50 to 7.40pm).

**TUESDAY:** Women take centre stage on the centre court – plus the final day of the Lord's Test (BBC1, 10.50am, 1.50; BBC2, 2.40 and 4pm).

**WEDNESDAY:** A change of pace, with boxing from the Albert Hall: Jim McDonnell contests the World Boxing Council super-featherweight title with Mark Reefer; Lennox Lewis, the heavyweight, is in support (Screensport live, 9.30pm; ITV, 10.35).

**THURSDAY:** Are women athletes inflicting long-term damage upon themselves? Is Wimbledon letting tradition hold up progress? On The Line investigates (BBC2, 8.30pm).

**FRIDAY:** The fifth day at Wimbledon – and normally a good one. (BBC1, 1.50pm; BBC2, 2.20pm).

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England's next opponents are an improving team that might emerge as the dark horse of the 1990 World Cup

# Well-balanced Belgium likely to prove a tough hurdle

GRAHAM TAYLOR ON THE WORLD CUP

SO NOW we know. England, for all the criticism they have received, have won their group, and the Republic of Ireland, for all the criticism they have received, have qualified for the knockout stage.

It is difficult sometimes to understand exactly what people want. Since that awkward opening game between the two countries, which resulted in such vitriolic comment, both England and Ireland have been involved in two tight and tense matches, neither of which produced the kind of flowing football associated with the game at the highest level.

But surely Egypt and the Netherlands should be held just as responsible for this state of affairs. It has been a very hard group and to win it reflects great credit on England. Before a ball was kicked, the Netherlands were certainly favourites for the pole position and there were many who doubted that Ireland would even qualify.

So far in this tournament, Italy and West Germany have stood out as the teams having that little bit extra. But usually one team gets better as the competition progresses. Most people's votes for the team to take this role would be the Netherlands or Brazil but, bearing in mind that the former meet West Germany next, they will have to show a great improvement if they are to progress.

Either Argentina or Brazil must also go out in the next round and so why cannot enough of us believe that England will be the team that comes on strong? A couple of days of relaxation should also help and I am more than pleased that the game against Belgium on Tuesday is the last match to played in the second round. England already know that, should they be successful, they will play either Cameroon or Colombia next. But the fact that they will also know who all the other quarter-finalists are, will, I am sure, help them to visualise a semi-final place.

Having said that, I can see England getting stronger. But after seeing the other teams, my dark horses are Belgium! They beat South Korea and Uruguay comfortably and with three regular members of their team absent, the 2-1 defeat at the hands of Spain did not truly reflect the game.

I have been extremely impressed with Enzo Scifo, who has played in a manner that justifies all of the comments made about him when he first entered the international scene as an exciting 17-year-old. He was not able to live up to this early reputation and was not deemed a success during his stay in Italy. But since playing for Auxerre, he has matured greatly and has all the makings of a world-class player. England will ignore him at their peril.

Eric Gerets, aged 36, will return after a one-match suspension and with Jan Ceulemans moving about from midfield to attack, Belgium have looked a solid team with a nice mix of flair and flexibility.

If they possessed a world-class goalkeeper, I would be much bolder in my prediction. But I sense a definite weakness in Michel Preud'homme and it is one that I hope England will be able to exploit.

The change of tactical approach, has, I believe, gone a long way to helping the England players believe in themselves and the outside influences, which can be so important in creating or destroying morale, should now take on a more positive note. On paper, the route to the semi-final looks good, but when was a game of football ever won or lost on paper?

## THE PATH TO THE FINAL

**SECOND ROUND**

Sun June 24 (4pm) Turin: BRAZIL – ARGENTINA — Scorers

Tue June 26 (4pm) Verona: SPAIN – YUGOSLAVIA — Scorers

Mon June 25 (4pm) Genoa: REP OF IRELAND – ROMANIA — Scorers

Mon June 25 (8pm) Rome: ITALY – URUGUAY — Scorers

Sat June 23 (8pm) Bari: CZECHOSLOVAKIA – COSTA RICA — Scorers

Sun June 24 (8pm) Milan: WEST GERMANY – NETHERLANDS — Scorers

Sat June 23 (4pm) Naples: CAMEROON – COLOMBIA — Scorers

Tue June 26 (8pm) Bologna: ENGLAND – BELGIUM — Scorers

**QUARTER-FINALS**

Sat June 30 (4pm) Florence — Scorers

Sat June 30 (8pm) Rome — Scorers

Sun July 1 (4pm) Milan — Scorers

Sun July 1 (8pm) Naples — Scorers

**SEMI-FINAL**

Tue July 3 (7pm) Naples — Scorers

Wed July 4 (7pm) Turin — Scorers

**FINAL**

Sun July 8 (7pm) Rome — Scorers

**3rd PLACE PLAY-OFF**

Sat July 7 (7pm) Bari — Scorers

## HOW THEY QUALIFIED

### GROUP A

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Italy | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 6 |
| Czech | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| Austria | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| United States | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 0 |

Results

ITALY (0) 1 AUSTRIA (0) 0
Schillaci 78 — 72,303
(In Rome, June 9)

US (0) 1 CZECH (2) 5
Caligiuri 61 — Skuhravy 25, 78, Bilek 40 (pen), Hasek 50, Luhovy 90
33,290
(In Florence, June 10)

ITALY (1) 1 US (0) 0
Giannini 11 — 73,423
(In Rome, June 14)

AUSTRIA (0) 0 CZECH (1) 1
38,562 — Bilek 30 (pen)
(In Florence, June 15)

ITALY (1) 2 CZECH (0) 0
Schillaci 9, Baggio 77 — 73,303
(In Rome, June 19)

AUSTRIA (0) 2 US (0) 1
Ogris 51, Rodax 63 — Murray 82
34,857
(In Florence, June 19)

### GROUP B

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cameroon | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Romania | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Argentina | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Soviet Union | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 |

Results

ARGENTINA (0) 0 CAMEROON (0) 1
73,780 — Omam Biyik 86
(In Milan, June 6)

ROMANIA (1) 2 USSR (0) 0
Lacatus 41, 54 (pen) — 49,960
(In Bari, June 9)

ARGENTINA (1) 2 USSR (0) 0
Troglio 27, Burruchaga 79 — 55,759
(In Naples, June 13)

CAMEROON (0) 2 ROMANIA (0) 1
Milla 76, 86 — Bahmi 83
36,667
(In Bari, June 14)

ARGENTINA (0) 1 ROMANIA (0) 1
Monzon 62 — Balint 68
52,733
(In Naples, June 18)

CAMEROON (0) 0 USSR (2) 4
37,307 — Protasov 20, Zygmantovich 29, Zavarov 52, Dobrovolski 83
(In Bari, June 19)

### GROUP C

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brazil | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Costa Rica | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Scotland | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Sweden | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 |

Results

BRAZIL (1) 2 SWEDEN (0) 1
Careca 40, 62 — Brolin 78
68,628
(In Turin, June 10)

SCOTLAND (0) 0 C RICA (0) 1
30,867 — Cayasso 49
(In Genoa, June 11)

BRAZIL (1) 1 C RICA (0) 0
Muller 32 — 56,007
(In Turin, June 16)

SWEDEN (0) 1 SCOTLAND (1) 2
Stromberg 85 — McCall 10, Johnston 80 (pen)
31,823
(In Genoa, June 16)

BRAZIL (0) 1 SCOTLAND (0) 0
Muller 82 — 62,502
(In Turin, June 20)

SWEDEN (1) 1 C RICA (0) 2
Ekstrom 32 — Flores 75, Medford 87
30,223
(In Genoa, June 20)

### GROUP D

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| W Germany | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 5 |
| Yugoslavia | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Colombia | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| UAE | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 0 |

Results

UAE (0) 0 COLOMBIA (0) 2
80,791 — Redin 50, Valderrama 87
(In Bologna, June 9)

W GERMANY (2) 4 YUGOSLAVIA (0) 1
Matthaus 29, 63, Klinsmann 40, Voller 70 — Jozic 55
74,765
(In Milan, June 10)

YUGOSLAVIA (0) 1 COLOMBIA (0) 0
Jozic 79 — 32,257
(In Bologna, June 14)

W GERMANY (2) 5 UAE (0) 1
Voller 35 74, Klinsmann 37, Matthaus 47, Bein 58 — K Mubarak 46
71,167
(In Milan, June 15)

W GERMANY (0) 1 COLOMBIA (0) 1
Limbersky 89 — Rincón 90
72,510
(In Milan, June 19)

YUGOSLAVIA (2) 4 UAE (1) 1
Susic 4, Pancev 8 46, Prosinecki 90 — Ali Thani Jumaa 21
27,833
(In Bologna, June 19)

### GROUP E

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Spain | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| Belgium | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| Uruguay | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| South Korea | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 0 |

Results

BELGIUM (0) 2 S KOREA (0) 0
Degryse 52, de Wolf 83 — 32,486
(In Verona, June 12)

URUGUAY (0) 0 SPAIN (0) 0
35,713
(In Udine, June 13)

BELGIUM (2) 3 URUGUAY (0) 1
Clijsters 14, Scifo 22, Ceulemans 47 — Bengoechea 72
33,759
(In Verona, June 17)

SPAIN (1) 3 S KOREA (1) 1
Michel 23, 62, 81 — Kwan Hwang-bo 43
32,733
(In Udine, June 17)

BELGIUM (1) 1 SPAIN (2) 2
Vervoort 29 — Michel 7 (pen), Goritz 39
35,950
(In Verona, June 21)

URUGUAY (0) 1 S KOREA (0) 0
Fonseca 90 — 29,039
(In Udine, June 21)

### GROUP F

Final table

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| England | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Rep of Ire | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Netherlands | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Egypt | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

Results

ENGLAND (1) 1 REP OF IRE (0) 1
Lineker 8 — Sheedy 73
35,238
(In Cagliari, June 11)

NETHRLNDS (0) 1 EGYPT (0) 1
Kieft 58 — Abed El Ghani 82 (pen)
33,288
(In Palermo, June 12)

ENGLAND (0) 0 NETHRLNDS (0) 0
35,267
(In Cagliari, June 16)

REP OF IRE (0) 0 EGYPT (0) 0
33,288
(In Palermo, June 17)

ENGLAND (0) 1 EGYPT (0) 0
Wright 58 — 34,959
(In Cagliari, June 21)

NETHRLNDS (1) 1 REP OF IRE (0) 1
Gullit 10 — Quinn 71
33,288
(In Palermo, June 21)

### Goalscorers

4: Michel (Sp)
3: Klinsmann (WG), Voller (WG).
2: Balint (Rom), Bilek (Cz), Careca (Braz), Jozic (Yug), Klinsmann (WG), Lacatus (Rom), Milla (Cam), Muller (Br), Pancev (Yug), Schillaci (It), Skuhravy (Cz).
1: Abel El Ghani (Egypt), Ali Thani Jamaa (UAE), Baggio (It), Bein (WG), Bengoechea (Uru), Omam Biyick (Cam), Brolin (Swe) Burruchaga (Arg), Cayasso (C Rica) Caligiuri (US) Ceulemans (Bel), Clijsters (Bel), Degryse (Bel), de Wolf (Bel), Dobrovolski (USSR), Ekstrom (Swe), Flores (C Rica), Fonseca (Uru), Giannini (It), Görritz (Sp), Gullit (Neth), Hasek (Cz), Kwan Hwang-bo (S Kor), Johnston (Scot), Kieft (Neth), Lineker (Eng) Littbarski (WG), Luhovy (Cz), McCall (Scot), Medford (C Rica) Monzon (Arg), K Mubarak (UAE), Murray (US), Ogris (Austria), Prosinecki (Yug), Protasov (USSR), Quinn (Rep of Ire), Redin (Col), Rincon (Col), Rodax (Austria), Scifo (Bel), Sheedy (Rep of Ire) Stromberg (Swe), Susic (Yug), Troglio (Arg), Valderrama (Col), Vervoort (Bel), Wright (Eng), Zavarov (USSR), Zygmantovich (USSR)

### Sendings-off

A Kana Biyick, B Messing (Cameroon v Argentina); E Wynalda (United States v Czechoslovakia); V Bessonov (Soviet Union v Argentina); Khaleel Ghanim Mubarak (UAE v Yugoslavia); P Artner (Austria v United States), Yoon Deuk-Yeo (South Korea v Uruguay).

LATEST BETTING: 7-4 Italy; 5-2 West Germany, 7-1: Brazil; 8-1: England; 9-1 Netherlands; 20-1: Argentina, 28-1: Belgium; 33-1 Cameroon, Czechoslovakia, Spain; 40-1: Romania, Yugoslavia, 50-1: Colombia, Uruguay; 66-1: Republic of Ireland, 100-1 Costa Rica.

SECOND-ROUND REFEREES: Cameroon v Colombia (Tullio Lanese, Italy); West Germany v Netherlands (Juan Loustau, Argentina); Brazil v Argentina (Joel Quiniou France); Italy v Uruguay (George Courtney, England).

# Robson must recall sweeper system for Belgium game

From STUART JONES, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT, CAGLIARI

ALTHOUGH five members of the attacking unit have yet to pull their full weight, England have climbed the first pinnacle in the World Cup. They have reached the second round as the winners of group F without the whole-hearted support of Bryan Robson, Barnes, Beardsley, Bull and Waddle.

Bryan Robson can be excused. He has been either less than fully fit or absent but three others have fallen as far below expectations as in the European championship two years ago. Beardsley's only notable contribution during his two abbreviated appearances has been to have his name taken.

Waddle and, especially, Barnes, though they were selected for all three ties in the first round, have been little more productive. Whether or not they suffer from stage fright, they have both consistently failed to perform in the biggest arenas. If England are to progress, they can afford to have them do so no longer.

Bobby Robson, the England manager, can and must offer a helping hand. Instead of restricting their movement by asking them to play as defensive wingers, he should release them by returning to the more flexible sweeper system. If so, the two potential match winners could between them carry England at least into the last four.

Barnes appeared apathetic and Waddle lethargic on Thursday night. They were contained by Egyptian defenders who can be considered no higher than competent when compared with others in the World Cup and their combined total of crosses, the ammunition required by Bull and Lineker, was surpassed by Pearce.

Bobby Robson would not be drawn into criticising members of his squad. When asked whether he was satisfied with the form specifically of Barnes, he replied: "That is not open for discussion It is an internal matter."

He explained his decision to go back to the domestic pattern of a flat back four, but the reason was not convincing. "We would have been overloaded in the middle," he said. "I would have had to take one of the central defenders off after 20 minutes."

Yet, with Wright as the sweeper, he could have used Parker and Walker as markers. The two Egyptian forwards would have been imprisoned and, with Pearce operating as a spare man, England would not have been outnumbered in midfield.

Thus, Gascoigne was inhibited. He again emerged as a prominent creative influence. "Whenever he crosses the halfway line," Bobby Robson said, "you feel as though something is going to happen." Eventually, it did, and Wright scored the decisive goal, his first for England.

Bull found himself out of his depth Rather than being employed to complement Lineker, a duty which seems beyond him, he promises to be useful only as a rampaging substitute sent on belatedly to cause distress among defenders who may be tiring.

In spite of the attacking deficiencies England have achieved the first target by adapting to games of vastly different natures. The manager described the first against the Republic of Ireland as "a physical battle", the second against the Netherlands as "classic football", and the third, against Egypt, as "a mixture of both".

Belgium, England's second round opponents in Bologna on Tuesday, will resemble the Dutch, Robson's spies, John Lyall and David Sexton, confirm that they are a combination of domestic and continental styles Therefore, Robson should recall the sweeper system for the occasion, but it will be adequate only if his strike force functions at its strongest and brightest It is about time Barnes and Waddle responded to the trust which has been put in them

ENGLAND (4-4-2): 1 P Shilton (Derby County), 12 P Parker (Queen's Park Rangers), 5 D Walker (Nottingham Forest) 14 M Wright (Derby County) 3 S Pearce (Nottingham Forest) 6 C Waddle (Marseilles sub 17 D Platt Aston Villa) 19 P Gascoigne (Tottenham Hotspur), 15 S McMahon (Liverpool), 11 J Barnes (Liverpool), 10 G Lineker (Tottenham Hotspur), 21 S Bull (Wolverhampton Wanderers, sub 9 P Beardsley Liverpool)

EGYPT: (1-4-4-1) 1 A Shobeir 4 H Ramzi 2 I Hassan 5 H Yakan, 3 R Yasseen 7 I Youssef, 8 M El Ghani 10 G El Hamid (sub A El Ranman) 13 A Ramzi 20 A El Kass (sub T Solimani) 9 H Hassan

Referee: K Roemisberger (Switz)

# Walker waits for result of x-ray

DES Walker should discover later today whether he will be available for England's next World Cup tie, against Belgium in the second round in Bologna on Tuesday (Stuart Jones writes). The central defender, who was injured during the 1-0 win over Egypt here on Thursday night, is to have an x-ray examination on his right leg

Fouled by an opponent, he was wounded in the incident immediately preceding the goal. It was thought, initially, that he had hurt his ankle but, although he was able to complete the game, he later complained of pain in his fibula.

As a precautionary measure, he is to be taken to a hospital in Cagliari today for an examination which will reveal whether there is a crack. If so, the defender whose speed has been essential to England's progress so far could be ruled out of the rest of the tournament.

"We don't think that there is a break," Bobby Robson, the England manager, said yesterday, "but we didn't think that Seaman had fractured his thumb." The third goalkeeper in the party was sent home.

Bryan Robson, the only England player so far to have missed a World Cup tie because of injury, is recovering, but slowly When asked whether his captain might be available next week, Bobby Robson said "I don't know but at least he's got another four days"

# Persistence pays off as Irish redeem battered reputation

From CLIVE WHITE IN GENOA

THE Republic of Ireland did much to redeem themselves in the eyes of the world with their spirited 1-1 draw against the Netherlands in Palermo on Thursday, after their tedious, sub-standard performances in group F against England and Egypt – but why that was so is not easy to explain.

Quinn for Cascarino – one beanpole for another – hardly amounted to a facelift, and the style remained much the same. The Irish were certainly more effective as an attacking unit, but, in the end, one fancied that it was just down to a bigger-hearted effort against an old adversary with a larger reputation than either of the Republic's two previous opponents.

The goal which secured the Republic's qualification for the next phase of the competition was, like so many of the Republic's, not born out of inspiration or flair but defensive error due to Irish terrier-like persistence.

A long clearance by Bonner and the presence of Cascarino were enough to unsettle a harassed Dutch defence. Quinn may have been the scorer, but it was as near an own goal as it is possible to be.

The Dutch had flattered to deceive with the early goal by Gullit, and that player's subsequent performance was vast enough to cover the cracks in the Dutch facade. Too many players continued to remain a pale imitation of the men who carried off the European championship two years ago.

It is difficult to imagine them rediscovering themselves in time tomorrow to beat the West Germans in Milan. It is the West Germans who traditionally grow stronger as a tournament gathers pace. Even at their peak in West Germany, the Dutch were at full stretch to beat the host country 2-1 in the semi-finals.

The change of scenery and temperature from a sticky Palermo to a damp Genoa will do almost as much as Thursday's result to stimulate the Irish again. The fact that they beat Romania, their opponents here in the second round on Monday, 3-1 two years ago in Dublin should also help to bolster their confidence.

Knowing Jack Charlton's disinterest in whoever the Irish are playing, he will probably have forgotten that the Romanian side that day was minus its large and gifted Steaua Bucharest contingent.

If, as has been suggested, there was discontent in the Irish camp, it was not evident in their performance at the La Favorita Stadium. Their determination to recover from a tenth-minute deficit was quite awe-inspiring. How close the Irish came, though, to a bitter end to this championship we may never know

Charlton is unlikely to be around to lead the Irish through the final stages of another major championship, though he will probably still be in charge for the European championship qualifying round, which begins later this year. The daily demands of the media, no matter how much less ferocious than that upon his opposite number in the England camp, and in particular the long spells of boredom between matches, rankle with Charlton.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (4-4-2): 1 P Bonner (Celtic). 2 C Morris (Celtic), 4 M McCarthy (Millwall), 5 R Moran (Blackburn Rovers). 3 S Staunton (Liverpool), 8 R Houghton (Liverpool), 7 P McGrath (Aston Villa), 13 A Townsend (Norwich City), 11 K Sheedy (Everton) (sub 6 R Whelan, Liverpool), 9 J Aldridge (Real Sociedad) (sub. 10 A Cascarino, Aston Villa), 17 N Quinn (Manchester City).

NETHERLANDS (1-3-4-2): 1 H van Breukelen, 4 R Koeman, 2 B van Aerle, 3 F Rijkaard. 5 A van Tiggelen. 10 R Gullit, 17 H Gillhaus, 11 R Witschge 18 (sub: 18 H Fraasen), 6 J Wouters. 9 M van Basten, 12 W Kieft (sub 19 J van Loen).

Referee: M Vautrot (France)

# Heavyweights meet in second round

WEST Germany have not had to wait long for their chance to avenge their defeat by the Netherlands in the European championship two year ago. Tomorrow in Milan, the in-form Germans face the Dutch in the second round of the World Cup finals seeking to reverse the 2-1 defeat that ended their challenge in 1988.

As the knockout stages of the World Cup get under way, the renewing of the German-Dutch rivalry is matched in stature by the meeting of Brazil and Argentina in Turin. Today, however, is for the romantics as Cameroon and Costa Rica take on Colombia and Czechoslovakia.

Cameroon believe they can bounce back from their 4-0 drubbing by the Soviet Union to become the first African country to reach the quarter-finals of the World Cup. This afternoon in Naples, the surprise qualifiers from group B face another of the unfancied teams in the tournament, Colombia.

Valery Nepomniachy, Cameroon's Soviet-born manager, may be forced to leave out Francois Omam Biyik, who scored the single goal that beat Argentina, because the forward has a knee injury. That may enable Roger Milla, aged 38, to play from the start. Milla, who came out of retirement for the World Cup, came on as substitute in all three group matches and scored twice in the 2-1 defeat of Romania. Nepomniachy is also likely to bring back Benjamin Massing in defence.

Francisco Maturana, the Colombia manager, will retain the side that held West Germany to a 1-1 draw in group D.

The Costa Rica coach, Bora Milutinovic, who will be without his suspended midfield player, Roger Gómez, may be tempted to play the forward, Hernán Medford, from the start against Czechoslovakia in Bari.

Milutinovic's biggest headache, however, is the goalkeeper, Luis Gabelo Conejo, who has a rib injury. He is likely to be replaced by the inexperienced Hermidio Barrantes.

The Czechoslovaks are likely to field the team that beat Austria 1-0 in their second match in group A. That would mean including the midfield player, Jozef Chovanec, and Lubos Kubik.

CAMEROON (4-4-2, probable): 16 T N'Kono; 5 B Ebwelle, 4 B Massing, 17 A Ndip, 6 E Kunde; 14 S Tataw, 2 A Kana Biyik, 8 E M'Bouh, 10 L-P M'Fede; 20 C Makanaky, 7 F Omam Biyik.

COLOMBIA (4-4-2): 1 J R Higuita; 4 L Herrera, 15 L Perea, 2 A Escobar, 3 Gildardo Gómez, 8 Gabriel Gómez, L 14 L Alvarez, 10 C Valderrama, 19 F Rincón; 20 A Figueroa, 7 C Estrada.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA (1-3-4-2, probable): 1 J Stejskal; 3 M Kadlec; 5 J Kocian, 6 J Chovanec, 4 I Hasek; 7 M Bilek, 9 L Kubik, 11 L Moravcik, 20 V Nemecek; 10 T Skuhravy, 17 I Knoflicek.

COSTA RICA (1-3-4-2, probable): 21 H Barrantes; 2 R Flores; 20 M Montero, 6 J Chaves, 4 R Gonzalez; 8 G Chavarria, 19 H Marchena, 14 J Cayasso, 10 O Ramirez; 9 A Guimaraes (or 7 H Medford), 18 C Jara.

## MATCH FACTS

| Result 1-0 | ENGLAND | EGYPT |
|---|---|---|
| Total shots | 8 | 9 |
| On target | 4 | 3 |
| Lost possession | 52 | 54 |
| Corners | 8 | 2 |
| Crosses from right | 7 | 10 |
| Crosses from left | 14 | 5 |
| Fouls | 20 | 16 |
| Offside | 0 | 3 |
| Cautions | 1 | 2 |
| Sendings off | 0 | 0 |

OTHER STATISTICS:
ENGLAND: Shots: 2 Wright, Bull; 1 Parker, McMahon, Gascoigne, Lineker. Fouls committed: 3 Wright, Barnes, Beardsley; 2 Walker, McMahon, Lineker; 1 Pearce, Parker, Bull. Fouls sustained: 3 Barnes, Bull; 2 Gascoigne; 1 Shilton, Walker, Parker, Wright, Waddle, Lineker.
EGYPT: Shots: 2 Abed El Ghani, Abed El Hamid, El Kass; 1 A Ramzi, Youssef, H Hassan. Fouls committed: 3 H Hassan; 2 I Hassan, Yakan, Youssef; 1 Abed El Ghani, Abed El Hamid, El Kass. Fouls sustained: 4 Youssef; 3 Hassan; 2 I Hassan, Yasseen, H Ramzi; 1 Shobeir, Yakan, A Ramzi, Abed El Ghani.

| Result 1-1 | REP OF IRE | NETHERLANDS |
|---|---|---|
| Total shots | 8 | 9 |
| On target | 3 | 3 |
| Lost possession | 45 | 52 |
| Corners | 6 | 4 |
| Crosses from right | 12 | 7 |
| Crosses from left | 8 | 4 |
| Fouls | 14 | 15 |
| Offside | 8 | 5 |
| Cautions | 0 | 1 |
| Sendings off | 0 | 0 |

OTHER STATISTICS:
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND: Shots: 3 Sheedy 2 Quinn, 1 Staunton, McGrath, Aldridge Fouls committed: 5 McCarthy 2 Townsend; 1 Morris, McGrath, Houghton, Aldridge, Sheedy, Quinn, Whelan. Fouls sustained: 4 Quinn, 2 Moran, Houghton, Morris, McCarthy, Townsend, Aldridge, Sheedy, Cascarino.
NETHERLANDS: Shots: 3 Gullit; 2 Kieft, Gillhaus; Koeman, Wouters. Fouls committed: 3 van Tiggelen, Rijkaard; 2 Witschge; 1 Wouters, Gullit, van Basten, Kieft, Gillhaus, Fraeser. Fouls sustained: 2 Rijkaard, Wouters, Gullit, Kieft, Gillhaus; 1 van Breukelen, van Aerle, Witschge, van Basten.

WORLD CUP NOTEBOOK

## Saturation coverage of match in Bologna

THE chiefs of BBC and ITV sport got their heads together to decide which channel would show which games, after the second-round permutations had been determined on Thursday night and, as expected, both will screen the England v Belgium match in Bologna live on Tuesday.

But the day before, only ITV will cover the Republic of Ireland match against Romania. ITV also cover tomorrow night's game between West Germany and the Netherlands, a repeat of the 1988 European championship semi-final which the Netherlands won 2-1, and tonight's meeting between Cameroon and Colombia.

The BBC will broadcast the other games live: this afternoon's match between Costa Rica v Czechoslovakia, Brazil v Argentina tomorrow night, Uruguay v Italy on Monday and Spain v Yugoslavia on Tuesday.

## Black marks

PERHAPS it is a good thing that Austria are back home and not in the second round. In three games they managed to collect ten bookings and a player was sent off, the worst in the opening phase. In the first 36 matches a total of 105 yellow and eight red cards have flourished, already more than four years ago in Mexico

## On the ball

THE general perception of footballer's intelligence is low so it may suprise people to learn that the England players read *The Times* That is the only conclusion that can be drawn after the touchline exploits of Terry Butcher on Thursday night

In that day's paper, a letter from John S Hunter pointed out that during the warm-up period before the England substitutes came on, a ball was conspicious by its absence This proved costly for Steve McMahon against the Republic of Ireland and Steve Bull against the Netherlands, who gave away and missed a goal respectively with their first touches.

And what was Butcher seen to be doing during the game against Egypt? Practising with the ball, that's all

## Ciao, Cagliari

SARDINIA is glad to be rid of the English supporters or at least the ones who make trouble A businessman who wanted to remain anonymous said, "The English for the most part are good But there were a few who wanted to cause trouble There was too much drinking, too much fighting. I cannot say I'm happy that the World Cup is over here, but I think that it is time some of these people left."

Craig Brewin, of the Football Supporters' Association, offers a different, but rather sad, perspective: "There was nowhere near the scale of trouble that people predicted"

## Flag waving

MORE luminous goings-on in Italy Not the sight of Klaus Lindenberger's shirt but the yellow poles and orange flags at the corners and the halfway line. The question arises: why?

## Beirut peace

THIS tournament does the strangest things. While pubs report a drop in business and pizza delivery services experience huge growth, World Cup fever has hit Lebanon.

That most troubled of places goes quiet whenever there is a game Rival factions, of which there are many are just yards apart as they watch television coverage. The quiet lasts until a goal is scored. Then the guns are fired into the air in celebration.

"The World Cup's been a godsend," one man in Christian east Beirut said. "We really needed a diversion, even if it's only for a month."

RICHARD WETHERELL

RUGBY UNION

# Desperate French in need of a tonic after two setbacks

From PETER BILLS IN BRISBANE

THE legendary captain of France, Lucien Mias, once drank half a bottle of rum shortly before an international in South Africa in 1958, before successfully leading a patched-up French team to an unexpected victory over the Springboks in Johannesburg.

Whether Serge Blanco enjoys a similar stimulant before tomorrow's second international between Australia and France in Brisbane remains to be seen. Given the increasingly desperate state into which this French tour has declined, we ought not to rule out anything which the worried French might turn to for sustenance.

Jacques Fouroux, the French coach, might also decide that the Mias method has its attractions, particularly after his team's successive defeats in the last seven days by Queensland and Sydney. Two setbacks of that nature would drive any coach to drink, but, instead, Fouroux vented his frustration on his players at a training session conducted in winter temperatures of 23C yesterday.

Australia's plan appears to be to move the ball. Bob Dwyer, their coach, said: "With the back line we possess and the pace behind the scrum, we would be silly not to attack."

However, they may be without the break-away flanker, Miller, who was ready to withdraw last night with hamstring trouble. If he does not play, Australia will have three No. 8s in their back row, with Scott-Young joining Nasser and Gavin. That trio should be more than a match for the big back row the French have again selected.

Benazzi, who was sent off in the first match, is retained, but Roumat moves to No. 8 to accommodate the veteran, Condom. Lacombe replaces Weller on the right wing and Mesnel is at last paired once more with Sella.

Remarkably, Sanz has been chosen at scrum-half just days after reports that a back injury would prevent him playing again on tour. The Australian Rugby Union, having agreed to requests to fly out Gilles Camberabero as a replacement, is said to be less than amused at Sanz's reappearance.

France need a victory to save their tour, but Australia look the more settled side and, barring a supreme French performance a la Mias and South Africa, the Wallabies should win.

**Brisbane teams**

AUSTRALIA: D Campese; P Carrozza, J Little, P Cornish, I Williams; M Lynagh, N Farr-Jones (captain); A Daley, P Kearns, E McKenzie, B Nasser, R McCall, P FitzSimons, J Miller (or S Scott-Young), T Gavin.

FRANCE: S Blanco (captain); B Lacombe, P Sella, F Mesnel, P Lagisquet; D Camberabero, H Sanz; M Pujolle, L Armary, F Heyer, E Melville, J Condom, T Devergie, A Benazzi, O Roumat.

Referee: C Norling (Wales).

ATHLETICS

# Brown seeks to step it up

By DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

PHIL Brown, best known for his heroics as the anchorman in Britain's 4 x 400 metres relay teams, continues his experiment with the 400 metres hurdles tomorrow, having shown strong indications that he is another Kriss Akabusi in the making.

Brown competes for the Amateur Athletic Association in its match with Loughborough Students Past and Present and will be attempting to extend his sequence of improving with every race.

Akabusi switched to the hurdles from the flat in 1988. Within a year he was established as Britain's No. 1; he had been a good, but by no means outstanding, 400 metres runner, but finished sixth in the 1988 Olympics and won the 1989 European Cup at his new event.

Inspired by Akabusi's success, Brown has made the transition at the same age, 28. Tomorrow will be only his fifth race but already his time is down to 51.87sec.

Expected in the line-up at Loughborough is Lawrence Lynch, second to Akabusi in the rankings this year, with 50.34sec. If he can match Lynch, Brown will be encouraged to compete for a place at this summer's European championships by running the trial at the AAAs next month. "If he can pull me to a fast time, then I can think in terms of a place in the European team," Brown said.

● Sammy Tirop, the Commonwealth 800 metres champion, has confirmed his participation in the Compaq Computers IAC grand prix meeting at Meadowbank on July 6.

## FOR THE RECORD

**CYCLING**

TOUR OF SWITZERLAND: Final stage (Herisau to Zurich, 173.5km): 1, K Andersen (Den), 4hr 18min 52sec; 2, F van den Abbeele (Bel), same time; 3, S Joho (Switz), 1-14 behind; 4, G Brazzer (It); 5, U Freuler (Switz); 6, T Wegmuller (Switz), all same time. Final placings: 1, S Kelly (Ire), 48hr 10mins 42sec; 2, R Millar (Scot), 41sec behind; 3, A Hampsten (US), 1.04 behind; 4, D Steiger (Switz), 1.13 behind; 5, Z Jaskula (Pol), 2.17 behind; 6, A Kvalsvoll (Nor), 3.08 behind.

ISLE OF MAN international week: Open 10-mile time trial: 1, G Obree (Wallsend CC), 21min 34sec (course record); 2, B O'Brien (Manchester Wheelers), 22:04; 3, G Butler (Norwood Paragon), 22:55. Women's 10-mile time trial: 1, J Hill (Liverpool Mercury), 23:41; 2, S Phillips (Deeside Thistle), 24:02; 3, M Purvis (Ellan Vannin CC), 24:04. Veterans' 10-mile time trial: 1, L Foster (Border City Wheelers), 22:44; 2, J O'Donovan (Deeside Thistle), 23:05; 3, M Potts (Derby Mercury), 23:10. Standard: R Bailey (Holme Valley Wheelers), aged 77, plus 7:28. Viking Trophy road race (75.5 miles): 1, A Roche (Ellan Vannin), 3:15:23; 2, B Burgess (Belper), 3:15:34; 3, G Mitchell (NZ), 3:15:46. Veterans' race (37.75 miles): 1, T Holmes (Leicestershire), 1:41:04; 2, J Wright (Middridge), 1:41:21; 3, M Fagg (CS Dynamo), 1:41:22. Cycling Weekly Road Race (113 miles): 1, T Hall (Liverpool Mercury-Townsend Cycles), 4hr 45min 10sec; 2, C Morgan (Fr), 1sec behind; 3, S Farrell (GB), 1.27 behind.

**YACHTING**

Air Canada Industry Sailing Challenge: Round 4: 1, Davy McKee Ltd (C D Collinson); 2, Richard Ellis (J S Waroquet); 3, Arco British Ltd (A P Blakeley); 4, Noble Denton and Associates (A J Stafford); 5, Walter Lawrence City and Southern (K Newman).

ST TROPEZ: Kearns Cup: Semi-final: C Dickson (NZ) bt T Chieffi (It) by 10sec and 1min 7sec; R Coutts (NZ) bt P Gilmour (Aus), 10sec, 4[illegible]sec.

British Telecom international one design world championship: Overall results: 1, W Widnall (Marblehead), 9.5pts; 2, H Mottner (San Francisco), 15.75; 3, J Burnham (Fishers Island), 23.5; equal 4, D and S Leary (Long Island Sound) and J Bishop (Long Island Sound), 31; 6, P Simmons (Bermuda), 32.75; 7, J Kempe (Bermuda), 35.75; equal 8, J Peter Rood (Norway) and J Crothers (North East Harbour), 40; 10, C Crofoot (North East Harbour), 47; 11, J MacDonald (Scotland), 48; 15, L Johansson (Sweden), 59.25.

**TENNIS**

ASHTON PARK: Wirral international tournament: Quarter-finals: Y Noah (Fr) bt D Wheaton (US), 7-5, 6-2; M Mecir (Cz) bt B Gilbert (US), 7-5, 6-3; D Rostagno (US) bt G Ivanisevic (Yug), 6-7, 7-6, 7-5.

WENTWORTH: Wentworth Classic (first to 9 games): P Cash (Aus) bt J Courier (US), 9-1; G Forget (Fr) bt J Svensson (Swe), 9-5; H Leconte (Fr) bt Courier 9-8; Forget bt J McEnroe (US), 9-7.

BRISTOL: Midland Bank/LTA Trust British students championship: Men: First round: N Pashley bt J Pollard, 6-1, 7-6; R Coull bt G Rogers, 6-1, 6-1; R Wilford bt M Routledge, 6-1, 6-1; R Draper bt J Green, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2; A Livermore bt S Stevens, 6-1, 6-1; S Perry bt K White, 6-3, 6-4; P Wright bt D Rhodes, 6-2, 6-4; J Routledge bt J Summers, 6-2, 6-4; P Brown bt A Dawson, 6-4, 6-2; M West bt K Simpson, 6-0, 6-0; A Dawson bt D Trueman, 6-3, 2-6, 7-6; D Hill bt D Reed, 6-4, 6-4; G Spalding bt N Green, 6-0, 7-6; D Slade bt C Walker, 6-1, 6-4; C Hall-Tonkin bt N Scotland, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1; M Loosemore bt R Edwards, 7-5, 6-1. Women: First round: M Loughton bt L Sherwood, 6-0, 6-0; J Williams bt K Harrison, 6-1, 7-5; Y Drew bt C Barnard, 6-2, 6-2; S Page bt L Hine, 2-6, 6-1, 6-4; P Tilling bt E Lewis, 7-5, 6-3; S Jessop bt J Hall, 7-5, 6-4; S Baynham bt W Bishop, 6-1, 6-4; F Couldridge bt A Jones, 6-1, 7-5; A Cornforth bt N Hurn, 6-4, 7-6; V Lakin bt Y Klynman, 6-2, ret; S Ambrose bt F Scott, 6-2, 6-1; N Entract bt T Edwards, 6-4, 6-1; K Behne bt S Engel, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0; K Ross bt H Taylor, 6-0, 6-0; I Wild bt D Hogg, 6-0, 6-0.

LEEDS: VW National Circuit: Men: Semi-final: J Rutherford bt S Thomas, 6-4, 6-4.

**BASEBALL**

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland Indians 4, Baltimore Orioles 3 (10 innings); New York Yankees 7, Toronto Blue Jays 6; Kansas City Royals 14, Minnesota Twins 4; California Angels 6, Detroit Tigers 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlanta Braves 4, Cincinnati Reds 3.

**SQUASH**

CAMBOME COVENT GARDEN CLUB: Dunlop Champion of Champions: Men: D Bradbury (Wootton Court) bt D Ritchie (Bridge of Allan), 5-9, 9-7, 7-9, 9-6, 9-3. Women: P Nicholls (Sunderland) bt S Wall (Brenfield), 9-4, 9-2, 9-2.

**GOLF**

RYE, New York: Westchester Classic: Leading first-round scores (US unless stated): 66: K Triplett. 68: H Irwin, B Gardner, B McCallister, W Brown. 67: L Rinker, F Funk, J Haas, A North, P Azinger, C Stadler, P McGowan. 68: G Buckner, C Rose, D Peoples, J Dowling, D Tewell, R Wolcott.

ROCHESTER, New York: International tournament: Leading first-round scores (US unless stated): 69: N Lopez, K Postlewait. 69: A Alcott, J Piccock. 70: C Pierce (GB), B Burkowsky (Can), C Kegg, L West. 71: K Davies (GB), J Wyatt (Can). 72: J Crafter (Aus), A Okamoto (Japan), L Neumann (Swe), D Coe (Can). 73: M Figueras-Dotti (Sp), P Wright (GB), N Ste-Marie (Can). Other British placing: 80: S Lowe (GB).

HAKUI, Japan: Mizuno Open: First-round leaders (Japan unless stated): 67: H Tani. 68: T Ai-yu (Taiwan), E Nakajima. 70: Y Moriguchi, M Ozaki, R Mizumaki. 71: F Tani, C Nishida, M Watanabe.

HENNESSY COGNAC CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: Regional final: 1, Goodwood; 2, Camberley; 3, Croham Hurst.

**CRICKET**

RAPID CRICKETLINE 2ND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Southampton: Sussex 175; Hampshire 125-1 (R J Scott 56 not out, R M F Cox 54 not out). Match drawn. Chelmsford: Essex 322-9 dec (K A Butler 116, J J B Lewis 60, N V Knight 57; M J Rawlings 4-37); Gloucestershire 118 (S J W Andrew 7-57) and 19-0. Match drawn.

MINOR COUNTIES: Bignell End: Norfolk 117-7 v Staffordshire.

OTHER MATCH: Wigan: Shropshire II 216-5 dec (J Weaver 100) and 180-6 dec (E Home 65, P Sparrow 50); Cheshire II 204-9 dec (C Gooder 4-51) and 195-6 (B Kingham 71). Cheshire won by 4 wkts.

### Ashton appointed

RAY Ashton, the Leeds and former Widnes, Oldham and Great Britain rugby league scrum half, has been appointed Workington Town's player-coach.

## WEEKEND FIXTURES

**TODAY**

**CRICKET**

**Second Cornhill Test match**

11.0 90 overs

LORD'S: England v New Zealand

**Britannic Assurance county championship**

11.0, 110 overs

GLOUCESTER: Gloucestershire v Leicestershire

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Hampshire

LUTON: Northamptonshire v Middlesex

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Kent

CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Yorkshire

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Finchampstead: Berkshire v Buckinghamshire; Jesmond: Northumberland v Durham; Pressed Steel Fisher: Oxfordshire v Wales MC; Devizes: Wiltshire v Devon.

**OTHER SPORT**

ORIENTEERING: Harvester Trophy Event (Grizedale, Cumbria).

POLO: Royal Windsor Cup (Windsor); Warwickshire Cup (Cirencester).

POWERBOAT RACING: Southern Sport (Hamble).

SHOOTING: BSAD/Stewart Menzies National Clay Pigeon Shoot (Bisley).

SPEEDWAY: Sunbrite League: Cradley Heath v Wolverhampton; King's Lynn v Coventry; Swindon v Belle Vue. Gold Cup final: Second leg: Bradford v Oxford.

SURFING: British Cup Contest 2 (Thurso East, Scotland).

TENNIS: Pilkington Glass championships (Eastbourne); Direct Line insurance Open (Manchester).

VOLLEYBALL: Women's British championship (Cardiff).

WINDSURFING: UKBSA National Series (Pevensey Bay, Sussex).

**TOMORROW**

**CRICKET**

**Second Cornhill Test match**

11.0 90 overs

LORD'S: England v New Zealand

**Refuge Assurance League**

2.0, 40 overs

NEWPORT: Glamorgan v Yorkshire

GLOUCESTER: Gloucestershire v Leicestershire

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Hampshire

LUTON: Northamptonshire v Middlesex

BATH: Somerset v Nottinghamshire

THE OVAL: Surrey v Derbyshire

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Kent

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Sussex

**OTHER SPORT**

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: NDMA League: Fylde Falcons v Leicester Panthers (2.0); Gateshead Senators v Manchester Spartans (2.0); Nottingham Hoods v Birmingham Bulls (2.30); London Olympians v Northants Storm (2.30); Chelmsford Cherokees v Portsmouth Warriors (3.0); London Ravens v Bristol Packers.

CYCLING: National Road championship (Wilmslow).

MOTORCYCLING: Shell Oils/ACU British championship (Cadwell Park, Lincs).

MOTOCROSS: FIM 125cc world championship: British round (Hatherton, Cheshire).

ORIENTEERING: Harvester Trophy Event (Grizedale, Cumbria).

PETANQUE: National Ladies championships (Portsmouth).

POLO: Royal Windsor Cup (Windsor); Warwickshire Cup (Cirencester).

SPEEDWAY: Homefire Overseas final (Coventry).

VOLLEYBALL: Women's British championship (Cardiff).

WINDSURFING: UKBSA National Series (Pevensey Bay, Sussex).

## SPORT ON TV

**TODAY**

ATHLETICS: Eurosport 11.30-1pm: Highlights of the IAAF Grand Prix from Bratislava, Czechoslovakia.

AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL: Eurosport 10.30-11.30pm: C4 9.24-10.30am.

BASEBALL: Screensport 2.30-3.30am, 12.30-1.30pm and 6-7pm: Major League highlights and coverage of St Louis at Chicago.

BASKETBALL: BSB 10-midday: Highlights of the NBA play-offs.

BOXING: BSB 11-midnight: Fight of the Week: Screensport 10.40-11.40am: Highlights of US professional events.

CRICKET: BBC2 5-6.30pm and 11.40pm-12.10am: Coverage and highlights of the Second Test, England v New Zealand: BSB 8-10pm: Highlights of the third day of the Second Cornhill Test between England and New Zealand.

GOLF: Eurosport 1-3.30pm: Coverage of the third day's play at the Carrolls Irish Open from Portmarnock, Dublin: Screensport 4.30-5.30am: Highlights of the US PGA Open from Nashville, Illinois.

GRANDSTAND: BBC1 10.55am-5.05pm: Cricket: Second Test, England v New Zealand; Tennis: Ladies championship final (Eastbourne); Racing: Ascot; Motor Racing: Le Mans '90.

MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 9.30-10am, 6-7pm and 10-10.30pm: Coverage of the Formula One Grand Prix of Mexico. Round 6 of the German Formula Three championship and Round 6 of the British Formula Three championship: Screensport 11pm-midnight: Highlights of the IMSA Camel GTP and the Nissan GP Ohio.

POLO: Screensport 5-6pm: Highlights of the Royal County of Berkshire and BMW Prince of Wales Trophy.

RACING: BSB 1.20-5pm and 10-10.55pm: Highlights of yesterday's and today's meetings: Screensport 10.30-11.30pm: Hippodrome highlights.

RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB Midday-1pm, 3-4pm, 12.30-1.30am, 1.30-2.30am, 2.30-3.30am and 3.30-5.30am: Highlights of the Australian season, Great Britain v New Zealand tour match and coverage Great Britain v New Zealand Series match from Palmerston North: ITV 1.50-2.50pm: Highlights of the Second Test, New Zealand v Scotland.

SPORTSDESK: BSB 9.30, 1.0, 6.0, 7.30, 10.30 and midnight.

TENNIS: BBC2 12.10-12.55am: Highlights of the Final in the Pilkington Glass Ladies' championships: Eurosport 1-3.30pm and 10.30pm-12.30am: Coverage and highlights of the Wentworth Classic from Surrey: Screensport 8.15-9.15am, 2.10-3.10pm and 12.30-1.30am: Highlights of the Semi-final of the Davis Classic from Edgbaston and the Day 5 Final of the Wirral International.

TENPIN BOWLING: Screensport 7.30-8.30am: Highlights of Day 7 Final of the British Matchplay.

WRESTLING: BSB 5-6pm: Highlights of the NWA event.

GOLF: Eurosport 1-3.30pm and 7-8.30pm: Coverage and highlights of the final day's play at the Carrolls Irish Open from Portmarnock, Dublin: Screensport 2-3pm and 8.30-9.30pm: Highlights of the US PGA Open championship and US Ladies Professional championship.

GRANDSTAND: BBC2 1.25-5.45pm: Motorcycling: ACU Shell Oils championship from Cadwell Park; Rugby League: First Test between New Zealand and Great Britain from Palmerston; Tennis: Wimbledon '90 preview.

MOTOR SPORT: BBC2 10-10.40pm: Highlights of the Mexican Grand Prix: Eurosport 9.30-10am and 8.30-11pm: Highlights and coverage of the Formula One Grand Prix of Mexico: Screensport 1-2am, 12-1pm and 11pm-midnight: Highlights from Le Mans, the NASCAR Winston Cup and the Banquet Frozen Foods 300K.

POLO: Screensport 5-6am: Highlights of the Royal County of Berkshire tournament and the BMW Prince of Wales Trophy.

RALLYCROSS: Screensport 6-7am and 10-11am: Highlights of Round 9 of the British championship from Knock Hill, Scotland and the European 1990 championship from Kilgarra, Ireland.

RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB Midday-1pm and 6.30-7.30pm: Highlights of Great Britain v New Zealand and Australian events: ITV 11.25pm-12.25am: Highlights of Australia v France from Brisbane.

SPORTSDESK: BSB 9.30, 1.0, 6.0, 7.30, 10.30 and midnight.

SUPERCROSS: BSB 5-6pm: Highlights of American indoor scrambling.

TENNIS: Eurosport 1-3.30pm and 7-8.30pm: Highlights of the Pilkington Glass Ladies' championships from Eastbourne: BSB 8-9pm: Wimbledon preview.

**TOMORROW**

BASEBALL: Screensport 3-4am: Highlights of Major League games.

BOXING: BSB 3.30-5pm: Highlights of American events: Screensport 4-5pm: Highlights of Professional events from York Hall.

CRICKET: BSB 10-midday: Highlights of the Second Cornhill Test between England and New Zealand at Lord's.

EQUESTRIANISM: Eurosport 6.0-7pm: Coverage of the dressage event from Schoten, Belgium.

# Outsiders dominate finish of Royal Ascot's Hardwicke Stakes

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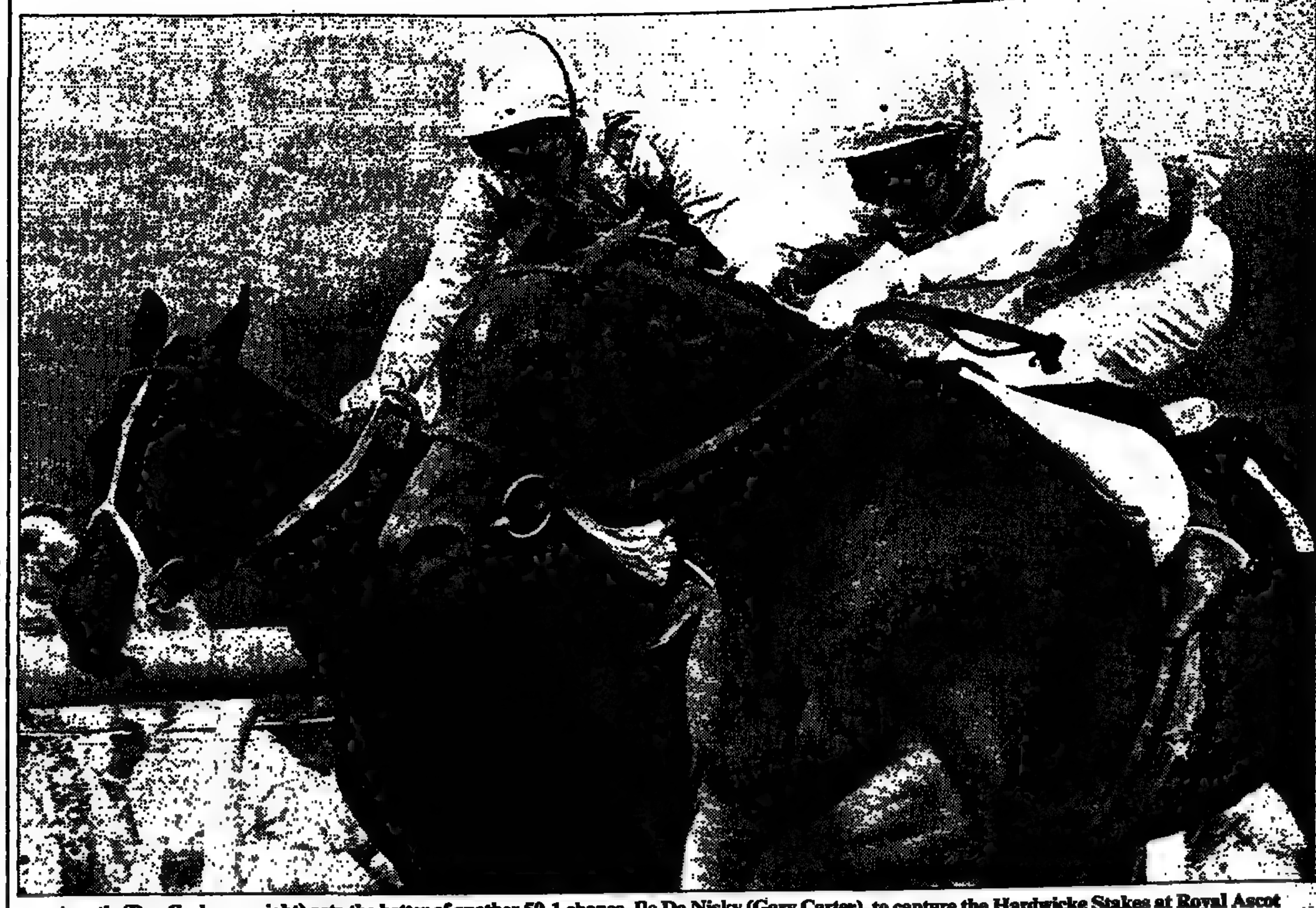

Assatis (Ray Cochrane, right) gets the better of another 50-1 chance, Ile De Nisky (Gary Carter), to capture the Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot

# Assatis provides another turn-up

By MICHAEL SEELY RACING CORRESPONDENT

IN ONE of the most sensational Royal Ascot results for years, the stunned crowd watched in silence as Old Vic, Sheikh Mohammed's dual Derby winner and the top-rated horse in Europe last season, was comprehensively beaten into third place in the Hardwicke Stakes.

Not a jackpot ticket was outstanding after after two 50-1 outsiders dominated the finished, with Ray Cochrane driving Assatis past the post three-quarters of a length ahead of Gary Carter on Ile De Nisky, last year's Derby fourth.

Old Vic, after drifting from 7-4 on to even-money before being backed back to 5-4 on, finished 10 lengths adrift in the minor berth.

The other class horses in the race also disappointed. Carroll House, the winner of last season's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and Phoenix Champion Stakes finished sixth, after appearing to be travelling the best early in the straight.

Charmer finished fourth, Husyan fifth and Michelozzo, the 1989 St Leger winner, sixth. Cacoethes, Roseate Tern, Limeburn and Observation Post were all non-runners.

As the field swung into the straight, Old Vic and Husyan were disputing the lead, with both Steve Cauthen and Willie Carson already uneasy on their respective mounts. The favourite soon shook off his challenger but could find no more pace when the final battle developed.

However Old Vic had not been seen since winning last July's Budweiser Irish Derby, 51 weeks ago, so on balance this was probably a satisfactory performance.

"He got tired in the last furlong and a half," said Henry Cecil. "He was ring-rusty and didn't show any zip at all. He has been a difficult horse to get fit because he hates the watered gallop at Newmarket."

Whether yesterday's beaten favourite will now have another race before tackling the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes will depend on the state of the going.

"If we can't find another suitable race for him before Ascot, we'll have to take him somewhere for a racecourse gallop," Cecil said.

Michael Jarvis was more than satisfied with Carroll House's first run of his campaign. "Surprisingly I was very pleased with that. He only blew up in the last furlong and a half because I haven't been able to get enough fast work into him. Where he runs next depends on the going but the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, a week on Sunday, is a possibility."

Assatis's victory must have come as a relief to Guy Harwood, who had so far drawn a blank after being leading trainer in 1989. Always only a few pounds behind the best, Assatis was repeating his win in this race last year.

Talking about his future plans, Harwood said: "We'll play it by ear with Assatis, but Cacoethes will now be trained for the Eclipse and the King George."

Despite the rain that had fallen, the ground conditions remained reasonable but, after Dayjur had turned the King's Stand Stakes into a procession when bolting home by 2½ lengths from Ron's Victory with the third horse, Lugana Beach six lengths away third, Dick Hern revealed that it had been touch and go whether the winner had been allowed to take his chance.

"I thought he only likes firm ground and wanted to withdraw him," said the trainer, "but Sheikh Hamdan insisted on running so it's entirely due to him."

Sheikh Hamdan Al-Maktoum is rapidly requiring a well-deserved reputation for being an outstanding judge. It was at his request that Nashwan was allowed to run in last season's 2,000 Guineas at his insistance that Salsabil ran in and won the Oaks earlier this month. Now he made a similarly inspired decision about Dayjur.

Surprisingly, although Hern has saddled three Derby and three Oaks winners, he was here winning Ascot's premier sprint with his first ever runner in the race. "Most of my horses stay further than this," he said wryly.

One of the most popular Royal Ascot results ever was cheered to the echo as Jonjo O'Neill greeted Gipsy Fiddler in the winners' enclosure after giving the trainer his first winner with his first runner at the meeting in the Windsor Castle Stakes.

After making all the running with Pat Eddery in the saddle, Gipsy Fiddler showed as much courage in the finish as has his trainer in his successful fight against cancer when warding off the sustained attack of the 5-2 favourite, Snowy, Owl to win by a length.

Dapper as ever in a grey top hat and morning coat, O'Neill was asked how saddling a winner at Ascot compared with his legendary triumphs at the National Hunt Festival at Cheltenham on Alverton, Sea Pigeon and Dawn Run.

"I never thought I'd have a runner let alone a winner. I can't believe it's true. But it's different. Dawn Run was the end of one chapter, this is the start of another."

Bought for 10,000 guineas as a yearling, Gipsy Fiddler is now undefeated in three races

# Knight Of Mercy triumph contains touch of sadness

By GRAHAM ROCK

THE victory of Knight Of Mercy in the Wokingham Handicap, a triumph for Richard Hannon and Pat Eddery, was tinged with a hint of sadness.

The winner carried the colours of Michael Grant, but until last month yesterday's winner was owned by Chris Blackwell, one of the stalwarts of Hannon's stable, who died after Knight Of Mercy had ran at the Newmarket Guineas meeting.

Michael Grant, who sold an interest in his business to the giant American telephone corporation AT&T last autumn, decided to invest in horse racing and now has half a dozen horses at Hannon's East Everleigh yard.

The victory owed much to Pat Eddery, who was already hard at work at halfway where Amigo Menor led under the stands rails.

A furlong later, Willie Carson produced the well-backed favourite, Hana Marie, with a strong challenge and for a fe strides it looked as though the gamble of the race would be landed.

As that filly faded, Eddery drove Knight Of Mercy past Amigo Menor in the final 100 yards and reached the line with three-quarters of a length to spare, Hana Marie coming home 1½ lengths further behind.

The winner had collected a 7lb penalty after taking a sprint at Goodwood last month. Hannon had to claim back his winner for £25,000 on that occasion but yesterday confessed to having backed his horse each-way.

"He had been working with Rock City at home, and he ran well enough here to give this horse a chance," Hannon said.

Fox Chapel, ridden by Gary Hind, completed a 1,716-1 double for Hannon when winning the Britannia Handicap

## Royal Ascot statistics

OWNERS: Hamdan Al-Maktoum (Ashal, Hateel, Dayjur) £155,750; Lord Howard De Walden (Shavian) £112,383; S Niarchos (Chimes Of Freedom) £102,488; Lord Weinstock (Hellenic) £82,910; Cliveden Stud (Private Tender) £80,858; S Harada (Assatis) £59,621; M Salem (Batshoof) £56,894; G Leigh (Markofdistinction) £51,861; Maktoum Al-Maktoum (Great Commotion) £34,308; Sheikh Mohammed (River God, Chicarica) £33,675; M Grant (Knight Of Mercy) £33,561; W Martel (Pontenuovo) £33,182; Sir Philip Oppenheimer (Sally Rous) £32,796; Tamdown Ltd (Mac's Imp) £24,368; I Karageorgis (Line Engaged) £23,234; J Rowles (On Tiptoes) £22,277; A Budge (Fox Chapel) £15,732; G Howard-Spink (Lift And Load) £15,147; S Wingfield-Digby (Retouch) £14,796; G Davidson (Gipsy Fiddler) £13,743; R Wheeler (Regal Reform) £13,743.

TRAINERS (in win prize-money order): H Cecil (Shavian, Private Tender, Chimes Of Freedom, River God) £293,954; H Thomson-Jones (Ashal) £83,501; R Hannon (Lift And Load, Knight Of Mercy, Fox Chapel) £64,440; M Stoute (Hellenic) £82,910; G Harwood (Assatis) £59,621; W Hern (Dayjur) £57,342; B Hanbury (Batshoof) £56,894; D Elsworth (Pontenuovo, Line Engaged) £56,416; L Cumani (Markofdistinction) £51,861; A Scott (Great Commotion) £34,308; G Wragg (Sally Rous) £32,796; W O'Gorman (Mac's Imp) £24,368; J Leigh (On Tiptoes) £22,277; J Gosden (Chicarica) £15,490; P Walwyn (Hateel) £14,913; P Cole (Retouch) £14,796; J J O'Neill (Gipsy Fiddler) £13,743; G Moore (Regal Reform) £13,743.

JOCKEYS: Five winners: S Cauthen (Shavian, Private Tender, Chimes Of Freedom, River God, Line Engaged); Pat Eddery (Batshoof, Great Commotion, Chicarica, Gipsy Fiddler, Knight Of Mercy). Two: W Carson (Hateel, Dayjur); Dean McKeown (On Tiptoes, Regal Reform). One: L Dettori (Markofdistinction); A Munro (Mac's Imp); M Roberts (Retouch); G Carter (Sally Rous); G Bardwell (Pontenuovo); B Rouse (Lift And Load); R Hills (Ashal); W R Swinburn (Hellenic); R Cochrane (Assatis); G Hind (Fox Chapel).

# Tirol can pass test with flying colours

From OUR FRENCH RACING CORRESPONDENT, PARIS

TIROL seeks his third successive group one prize tomorrow when he contests the Grand Prix de Paris Louis Vuitton at Longchamp.

The dual 2,000 Guineas winner was supplemented at a cost of more than £15,000 on Thursday but, with the race carrying a handsome first prize of £160,771, that could well prove a very shrewd investment.

The anticipated give underfoot is unlikely to trouble Tirol, who won the Horris Hill Stakes at Newbury last October on soft going.

Connections are also confident that Tirol will cope with this first ever test beyond a mile as they have the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes pencilled in as his next objective.

Steve Cauthen has been booked for Saumarez, the former Henry Cecil-trained colt, who was beaten three-quarters of a length by the subsequent Derby runner-up, Blue Stag, in the Dee Stakes at Chester. He now runs his first race for his new trainer, Nicholas Clement, who is only in his second season.

Cash Asmussen rides Colour Chart, the filly who was demoted from second to fourth in the Prix de Diane, earning Asmussen the suspension from which he has just returned.

## LONGCHAMP TOMORROW

Going: soft — Draw: no advantage

**3.35 GRAND PRIX DE PARIS LOUIS VUITTON** (Group I: 3-Y-O colts and fillies: £160,772: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

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| 1 | 3101-41 | CANDY GLEN 54 (G) (A Balzarini) C Wall (GB) 9-2 | A Cruz 3 |
| 2 | 11-10 | ROI DE ROME 18 (C,S) (Ecurie Aland) Mme C Head 9-2 | F Head 2 |
| 3 | 1-1311 | PRIOLO 26 (C,G) (Ecurie Skymarc Farm) F Boutin 9-2 | G Mosse 7 |
| 4 | 211-111 | TIROL 34 (G,F) (J Horgan) R Hannon (GB) 9-2 | Pat Eddery 6 |
| 5 | 4-112 | SAUMAREZ 43 (F) (B McNeil) N Clement 9-2 | S Cauthen 4 |
| 6 | 4353-11 | SIFTING GOLD 33 (CD,G) (R Strudwick) A Fabre 9-2 | E Legrix 1 |
| 7 | 11-2521 | BOXING DAY 17 (G) (D Wildenstein) E Lellouche 9-2 | D Boeuf 5 |
| 8 | 1-634 | COLOUR CHART 12 (C,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) A Fabre 8-13 | C Asmussen 8 |

5-4 Tirol, 3-1 Priolo, 7-2 Colour Chart, 8-1 Saumarez, 10-1 Boxing Day, 12-1 Roi De Rome, 14-1 Sifting Gold, Candy Glen.

# Results from yesterday's four meetings

## Royal Ascot

Going: good to soft

**2.30 WINDSOR CASTLE STAKES** (2-Y-O: £13,743: 5f)

GIPSY FIDDLER b c Bairn - Miss Cindy (G Davidson) 9-6 Pat Eddery (7-2) 1.
Snowy Owl b c Storm Bird - Nalees (Sheikh Mohammed) 8-13 W R Swinburn (5-2 fav) 2.
Ivory Bride b f Domynsky - Ivoronica (W Stuttaford) 8-8 R Cochrane (9-1) 3.

ALSO RAN: 5 Regal Crest, 7 The Old Firm, 10 Blue Tail (4th), 16 Pigalle Wonder (6th), 20 Buster, 33 Sheen Sailed (5th), 50 Village Pet. 10 ran. 1l, 1½l, nk, 2½l, nk. J J O'Neill at Penrith. Tote: £3.30; £1.40, £1.60, £2.30. DF: £5.40. CSF: £11.74. 1min 03.60sec.

**3.5 HARDWICKE STAKES** (Group II: £59,621: 1m 4f)

ASSATIS b h Topsider - Secret Asset (S Harada) 5-9-0 R Cochrane (50-1) 1.
Ile de Nisky b c Ile De Bourbon - Good Lass (Prince Yazid Saud) 4-9-0 G Carter (50-1) 2.
Old Vic b c Sadler's Wells - Cockade (Sheikh Mohammed) 4-9-0 S Cauthen (4-5 fav) 3.

ALSO RAN: 4 Michelozzo (6th), 11-2 Carroll House, 8 Husyan (5th), 25 Charmer (4th). 7 ran. NR Cacoethes, Roseate Tern, Limeburn, Observation Post. ¾l, 10l, 1½l, 1½l, 2l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £32.50; £7.10, £5.10. DF: £137.10. CSF: £763.05. 2min 32.53sec.

**3.45 WOKINGHAM HANDICAP** (£33,561: 6f)

KNIGHT OF MERCY b c Aragon - Little Mercy (M Grant) 4-8-6 (7ex) Pat Eddery (16-1) 1.
Amigo Menor ch c Whistling Deer - Chive (F Glennon) 4-7-10 C Rutter (33-1) 2.
Hana Marie b or br f Formidable - Milk And Honey (T Nerses) 3-7-9 W Carson (9-1 fav) 3.
Bocas Rose ch f Jalmood - Strathoykel (Rotovale Ltd) 4-8-6 M Hills (50-1) 4.

ALSO RAN: 12 Kheydara, Plain Fact, Berbe Woosie (5th), 14 Silca Supreme, Pronibtion, Top Dream, 16 Miami Banker, Joe Sugden, 20 That's The One, Masnun, Lesbboonestabouit, 25 Craft Express, Very Adjacent, 28 Restore, Gallant Hope, 33 Prolific, Ever Sharp, Solomon's Song, Hard To Figure, Cantoris (6th), Divine Pet, 50 Be Fresh, Ela-Yemou, 66 Super Zoom. 28 ran. NR: Mac's Fighter, Easy Line. ¾l, 1½l, 5l, sh hd, 1½l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £12.60; £3.40, £8.60, £2.30, £15.20. DF: £370.20. CSF: £397.61. Tricast: £4,493.50. 1min 15.31sec.

**4.20 KING'S STAND STAKES** (Group II: £57,342: 5f)

DAYJUR br c Danzig - Gold Beauty (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) 3-8-10 W Carson (11-2) 1.
Ron's Victory b c General Holme - Tea And Scandals (J Moss) 3-8-10 A Cruz (14-1) 2.
Lugana Beach br c Tumble Wind - Safe Haven (R Richards) 4-9-3 S Cauthen (8-1) 3.

ALSO RAN: 4 fav Nabeel Dancer, 9-2 Tigani, 7 Argentum, 10 Mademoiselle Chloe (5th), 11 Statoblest, 20 Poyle George (4th), 25 Boozy, 33 Shuttlecock Corner, In The Papers, 50 Paley Prince, 66 Dancing Music (6th), 100 Hinari Televideo. 15 ran. 2½l, 6l, nk, nk, 1½l. W Hern at West Ilsley. Tote: £5.60; £2.50, £7.70, £2.70. DF: £28.00. CSF: £71.28. 1min 01.06sec.

4.55 (1m) 1, FOX CHAPEL (G Hind, 100-1); 2, Gulmarg (C Rutter, 16-1); 3, Colonsay (M Roberts, 12-1); 4, Petipa (B Rouse, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 fav Mutah, 11-2 Thakib, 7 Mizaaya, 12 Farm Street, Lord Bertie, 14 Campal, 16 Villeroi, 20 Petipa, L'Umo Classics, Pappagallo, Rinja, Russian Frontier, 25 Cashtal Dazzler, 33 Abs, Courtesy Title, Gabbiadini, Highly Secure, Little Big, Message Pad, 50 Almaghrib, 66 Regal Thatch, Smokey Native, 150 Freddie's Star. 26 ran. 2½l, 1l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £174.40; £26.50, £5.30, £2.60, £4.60. DF: £1,873.80. CSF: £1,150.02. Tricast: £16,759.15.

5.30 (2m 6f) 1, REGAL REFORM (Dean McKeown, 5-1); 2, Mill Pond (W Monell, 15-2); 3, Eoam (J Reid, 16-1). Grabel 5-2 fav. 8 ran. G Moore at Malton. 6l, hd. Tote: £5.00; £1.80, £2.50, £4.60. DF: £15.50. CSF: £38.30.

## Ayr

Going: good

2.15 (6f) 1, AMRON (S Haworth, 7-1); 2, Break Loose (C Hodgson, 7-1); 3, No Qualifier Given (A Tucker, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Morcinda, 5 Farmsan, 8 Donovan Rose (4th), 16 Sabonis, 20 Tanfen, 50 Zode (6th), Valley Mills (5th), 100 Shinnel Water. 11 ran. Sh hd, 1½l, 1l, ¾l, 2½l. J Berry at Cockerham. Tote: £3.50; £2.00, £2.80, £2.10. DF: £17.10. CSF: £45.93. Tricast: £205.26.

2.45 (6f) 1, JUST A TREAT (M Birch, 5-1); 2, What A Card (J Lowe, 10-1); 3, Latin Mass (J Carroll, 4-11 fav). ALSO RAN: 10 Fill The Sail (4th). 4 ran. 2l, 3l, ½l. J Berry at Cockerham. Tote: £3.80. DF: £9.20. CSF: £30.00.

3.20 (1m 5f) 1, SHADOW BIRD (G Whitworth, 13-8 jt-fav); 2, Kingsley (N Kennedy, 13-8 jt-fav); 3, Persian House (J Lowe, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Corporate Member (4th). 4 ran. 4l, 3l, 6l. G Pritchard-Gordon at Newmarket. Tote: £2.00. DF: £2.40. CSF: £4.12.

3.55 (1m 2f) 1, NEW MEXICO (S Whitworth, 11-4 fav); 2, Fighting Gorylas (K Hodgson, 5-1); 3, Cheerful Times (Ron Hills, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Royalist (4th), Forest Nymph, 10 Ghadbbaan (5th), 12 In Orbit (6th), 14 Trip To The Moon. 8 ran. 2l, 5l, 1l, ¾l, 2l. D Morley at Newmarket. Tote: £2.60; £1.40, £2.00, £3.20. DF: £4.90. CSF: £15.18. Tricast: £82.82.

4.30 (1m) 1, VALIANT VICAR (J Bleasdale, 10-1); 2, Tenderloin (Kim Tinkler, 5-2 jt-fav); 3, Swing Dancer (S Whitworth, 5-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Gaitea Pearl (6th), 15-2 Swing North, 12 Rainbow Bridge, 20 Material Gold (4th), 25 Miss Hostess (5th). 8 ran. Sh hd, 3l, 1½l, ¾l, 1½l. C Thornton at Middleham. Tote: £15.10; £2.40, £1.10, £1.90. DF: £19.10. CSF: £31.50. No bid.

5.0 (7f) 1, BAND ON THE RUN (Ron Hills, 9-4 fav); 2, Final Shot (M Birch, 7-2); 3, El Arab (S Webster, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Western Music (5th), 8 Super One (6th), 9 Hickory Wind, 16 Mac Kelty, 20 Margs Girl (4th), Indian Star. ½l, 6l, 1½l, hd, 1l. B McMahon at Tamworth. Tote: £4.40; £1.50, £1.20, £2.30. DF: £9.50. CSF: £10.09. Tricast: £80.35.

Placepot: £708.30.

## Redcar

Going: good to firm

2.15 (1m 1f) 1, Red Gale (G Baxter, 100-30); 2, Pas De Reef (16-1); 3, Supreme Court (13-8 fav). 11 ran. 3l, 1l. W Elsey. Tote: £2.90; £1.30, £2.10, £1.10. DF: £30.70. CSF: £52.41. Tricast: £109.87. No bid.

2.45 (1m 3f) 1, Highflying (K Fallon, 6-1); 2, Flight Fantasy (11-2); 3, Heir Of Excitement (8-1). Miss Relsun 3-1 fav. 11 ran. 2l, hd. A Harrison. Tote: £8.40; £2.20, £2.70, £2.60. DF: £14.50. CSF: £42.21. Tricast: £258.80.

3.15 (2m) 1, Galloway Raider (L Charnock, 5-2); 2, Class Act (13-8 fav); 3, White Jasmin (4-1). 5 ran. 4l, nk. Denys Smith. Tote: £5.20; £1.70, £1.40. DF: £3.80. CSF: £8.94.

3.45 (6f) 1, Bernstein Bette (W Ryan, 6-1); 2, La Belle Vie (11-4 fav); 3, Spanish Harlem (20-1). 9 ran. 2½l, 3l. P Felgate. Tote: £6.70; £3.10, £10.80. DF: £12.50. CSF: £22.12. Tricast: £285.41.

4.15 (1m) 1, Premier Touch (D Nicholls, 7-2); 2, Laird Of Balmoral (12-1); 3, King Al (7-2). Bottles Evens fav. 9 ran. 2½l, 1½l. W Pearce. Tote: £2.00; £1.30, £2.00, £1.50. DF: £28.80. CSF: £40.77.

4.45 (5f) 1, Mysterious Glen (P Burke, 9-4 jt-fav); 2, State Flyer (85-1); 3, Sousoon (9-4 jt-fav). 9 ran. 2½l, ¾l. C Tinkler. Tote: £3.20; £1.40, £4.10, £1.10. DF: £62.50. CSF: £88.82.

Placepot: £80.90

## Southwell

Going: standard

1.30 (6f) 1, Mimining (M Tebbutt, 7-2 fav); 2, Zafiro (16-1); 3, Whipper In (5-1). 13 ran. Nk, 1½l. P Felgate. Tote: £7.80; £2.40, £4.90, £1.80. CSF: £59.71. Tricast: £271.62. DF: 1st or 2nd with any other £2.40.

2.0 (6f) 1, Waad (M Tebbutt, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Oliroan (25-1); 3, No Questions (5-1). Gemdoubleyou 3-1 jt-fav. 10 ran. Hd, 6l. N Callaghan. Tote: £5.50; £1.50, £23.70, £3.40. DF: 1st or 2nd with any other £1.50. CSF: £77.61.

2.30 (7f) 1, Motador (R Lappin, 6-1); 2, Vendredi Treize (8-1); 3, Danrab (9-1); 4, Silks Princess (9-2). Gott's Desire 3-1 fav. 16 ran. ½l, ½l. F Lee. Tote: £6.40; £2.00, £1.60, £1.50, £2.10. DF: £27.30. CSF: £62.58. Tricast: £430.02.

3.0 (7f) 1, Loosemer (K Darley, 5-2 fav); 2, Greenside (7-2); 3, Thrill (5-1). 7 ran. 4l, ¾l. J Etherington. Tote: £5.20; £1.90, £1.80. DF: £5.80. CSF: £14.10.

3.30 (1m 6f) 1, Off The Record (B Raymond, 4-9 fav); 2, Gazzymaz (3-1); 3, Alsoul (9-2). 9 ran. 2l, 10l. C Thornton. Tote: £1.30; £1.10, £1.40, £1.50. DF: £3.90. CSF: £3.54.

4.0 (1m 3f) 1, Pleasure Flight (N Day, 7-1); 2, Hostess Quickly (5-2 jt-fav); 3, Satin Lake (7-1). Dancing Earl 5-2 jt-fav. 13 ran. NR: Cocked Hat Girl, Candavie. 1l, 2½l. W Haggas. Tote: £9.50; £1.70, £1.80, £2.80. DF: £11.80. CSF: £28.67. Tricast: £132.84.

Placepot: £15.20.

# Berry lands Ayr double

JACK Berry took his tally for the season to 63 at Ayr yesterday when Amron and Just A Treat landed a 47-1 double.

Amron was produced with a well-timed run on the rails in the Redburn Apprentice Handicap by Steve Haworth, overhauling Carl Hodgson's mount, Break Loose, by a short head close home.

Haworth rode out for Berry as a schoolboy before leaving for a spell with Neville Callaghan at Newmarket. He rejoined the Cockerham trainer this season.

Just A Treat, was the less fancied of the two Berry runners in the Cunning Park Maiden Fillies Stakes.

Latin Mass, also trained by Berry, started odds-on favourite but was struggling under John Carroll a furlong out as Just A Treat, ridden by Mark Birch, mastered What A Card to win by two lengths.

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# Kristis Girl to revel in Ascot mud

By MANDARIN
(MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

KRISTIS Girl, from Derek Haydn Jones's Mid-Glamorgan yard, appeals as a sporting nap to win the valuable Grand Met Handicap at Ascot today, now that there is plenty of give in the ground again.

Significantly, she is the only member of the 18-strong field to have won on this sort of ground and yesterday her Pontypridd handler told me that the sound of rain falling was like sweet music in his ears. "I don't mind how much more it pours down — the softer the better for her," he said.

Haydn Jones, who masterminded the careers of those fast fillies, Annie Edge and La Petite Noblesse, added that Kristis Girl has never looked better and that she is in bouncing form.

Both her victories have been achieved over the minimum trip, one on soft going and the other on heavy. Equally significantly, she has shown good form over six and seven furlongs, so she is guaranteed to be running on when others have cried enough.

Haydn Jones: rain has been music to his ears

Last time out, Kristis Girl was blatantly out of her depth when she contested the listed John of Gaunt Stakes at Haydock. Yet, considering that she was up against the likes of Palace Street, Princess Accord, Marienski, Field Glass and Just Three, she still ran well enough to suggest that she will be hard to beat this afternoon with only 7st 9lb.

After winning by four lengths at Ayr in April, she produced commendable performances in finishing second to Shattered Dreams at Chester and Pilgrim's Path at Haydock.

Importantly, there is a direct form line through Pilgrim's Path which gives Kristis Girl the measure of the consistent Northern Goddess at these weights.

Nonetheless, Northern Goddess seems bound to be in the shake-up, now that she reverts to the minimum trip after being outstayed last time at Newbury by La Grange Music, whose third place in Thursday's Cork and Orrery Stakes more than upheld the form.

No matter how Northern Goddess fares, her jockey, Michael Roberts, still looks a man to follow at the Berkshire course where his rides include My Shafy (2.0), Nashid (2.30) and Snurge (4.10).

Nashid, my selection for the Chef & Brewer Handicap, was a commendable second on his seasonal debut to Bold Fox, whose subsequent effort against Nangarar at York was all the more admirable considering that he was attempting to give that horse 6lb.

Snurge, who was disqualified after winning the Criterium de Saint-Cloud in Paris last November, faces only two rivals when he makes his belated seasonal debut in the Churchill Stakes.

They are Middle Kingdom and Lucky Guest who fought out the finish of a race for maidens at Haydock last month when victory went to the former by a neck.

Before he contested the French race, Snurge was runner-up at Nottingham to Blue Stag, who has franked the form this season by finishing second to Quest For Fame in the Derby after winning the Dee Stakes at Chester.

Well that Palace Street and Himmah should go in the Ritz Club Fern Hill Stakes, especially since they have both already won on soft ground, I feel bound to opt for My Shafy in this instance.

A victory for My Shafy could easily herald a flurry of winners for Ben Hanbury, who is also hopeful of winning the EBF Halifax Maiden Fillies' Stakes with Wassifa. Later in the day, Ballet Classique (6.30 Lingfield) and Flight Of Pleasure (8.15 Warwick) can add to the Newmarket trainer's tally.

## Blinkered first time

AYR: 4.0 Broadway Star, Mac Kelty. REDCAR: 1.45 Fabricious, Pedantry; 2.45 Marcroft, Chotomski. WARWICK: 7.45 Alim, Reverend Mother.

## ASCOT

### Selections

By Mandarin
2.00 My Shafy.
2.30 Nashid.
3.00 **KRISTIS GIRL (nap).**
3.35 Flying Brave.
4.10 Snurge.
4.40 Wassifa.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.00 My Shafy.
2.30 Nashid.
3.00 Night At Sea.
3.35 La Masaas.
4.10 —
4.40 **WASSIFA (nap).**

By Michael Seely
2.00 Fire The Groom. 2.30 NASHID (nap). 3.00 Northern Goddess.
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 HIMMAH.

**Going: good to soft  Draw: 5f-1m, low numbers best  SIS**

**2.0 RITZ CLUB FERN HILL HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: fillies: £9,672: 1m str) (9 runners) BBC1

101 (8) 16-2821 PALACE STREET 14 (G,S) (Miss B Swire) G Balding 9-7 .... J Williams 87
102 (4) 11-0 FLYING DIVA 60 (F,G) (H Kaskel) B Hills 9-3 .... M Hills 89
103 (6) 0-11 FIRE THE GROOM 7 (D,G) (R Duchossois) L Cumani 8-12 .... L Dettori 88
104 (3) 11-1 HIMMAH 65 (F,S) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-10 .... R Hills ● 99
105 (5) 880-110 APPELANIA 28 (D,G) (J Ellis) M Tompkins 8-1 .... — 87
106 (1) 212 MY SHAFY 10 (D,BF,G) (Hilal Salem) B Hanbury 8-0 .... M Roberts 88
107 (7) 30-010 EXPRESS ACCOUNT 19 (D,F) (D Wilson) R Williams 8-0 .... D Biggs (5) 85
108 (9) 223 ELMAJARRAH 17 (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 7-12 .... N Carlisle 86
109 (2) 5826-31 DARA DEE 11 (D,G) (R Khan) C Brittain 7-11 .... W Carson 88

BETTING: 11-4 Fire The Groom, 4-1 Palace Street, 6-1 My Shafy, 8-1 Dara Dee, 10-1 Himmah, 12-1 Elmajarrah, 14-1 Flying Diva, 16-1 others.

1989: MINSTREL GUEST 8-4 W Carson (3-1 fav) P Walwyn 9 ran

**FORM FOCUS** PALACE STREET neck 2nd of 8 to Alidiva at Kempton (1m, good) on seasonal bow with EXPRESS ACCOUNT (17lb better off) 12¾l 7th; latest beat Princess Accord ¾l in a 7-runner listed event at Haydock (7f 40yd, soft).
FLYING DIVA beat Mimmize a head at Carlisle (7f, good) for the latter of two wins last season; latest disqualified after finishing 19l 5th to Rafha at Epsom (1m 110yd, good).
FIRE THE GROOM made a winning reappearance with a short-head defeat of Singing in an 11-runner maiden at Epsom (1m 110yd, good) and followed up with a 2½l success from Jawab at Nottingham (1m 50yd, good). HIMMAH kept her unbeaten record intact when beating Please Believe Me 6l at Ayr (7f, heavy). Open to further improvement. APPELANIA beat Zammah a head at York (1m, good) on penultimate start; latest looked unsuited by the fast ground when 14l last of 8 to Cashtal Dazzler at Haydock (1m 40yd, good to firm). MY SHAFY short-head 2nd to Aitals at Newbury (7f 60yd, good to firm); earlier beat Spool ¾l in a 5-runner maiden at Edinburgh (1m, good).
ELMAJARRAH 2l 2nd to Sayyara in a 16-runner maiden at Newmarket (1m, good) with DARA DEE (7lb better off) a neck 3rd. DARA DEE subsequently made all to beat Bawbee 1½l at Goodwood (1m, good).
Selection: HIMMAH

**2.30 CHEF & BREWER HANDICAP** (£9,006: 2m 45yd) (7 runners) BBC1

201 (3) 11106-2 NASHID 16 (F) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 5-9-10 .... M Roberts ● 99
202 (5) 0404/ VAGADOR 84J (F,G) (Miss A Harwood) G Harwood 7-8-8 .... R Cochrane —
203 (6) 04172-0 CASTLE SECRET 14 (F) (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) J Dunlop 4-8-6 .... Pat Eddery 96
204 (7) 30-6510 PENNY FORUM 8 (B,D,F,G,S) (R Surridge) J Sutcliffe 6-7-13 .... W Carson 97
205 (4) 4420-00 SPLASHMAN 14 (J Livock) J Jenkins 4-7-12 .... T Williams 96
206 (2) 50000-5 BOULEVARD GIRL 14 (F,G,S) (Innovative Marketing Int'l) C Booth 5-7-7 .... J Lowe 91
207 (1) 020-201 PRINCE SOBUR 14 (S) (C Battery) M Blanshard 4-7-7 .... Dale Gibson (3) 98

Long handicap: Boulevard Girl 7-2, Prince Sobur 6-13.
BETTING: 9-4 Nashid, 7-2 Prince Sobur, 4-1 Castle Secret, 11-2 Vagador, Penny Forum, 10-1 Boulevard Girl, 25-1 Splashman.

1989: THETHINGABOUTITIS 4-8-11 Pat Eddery (7-2) (G Lewis) 9 ran.

**FORM FOCUS** NASHID 1l 2nd of 12 to Bold Fox at Leicester (1m 4f, good) on reappearance with SPLASHMAN (5lb better off) 17l 12th. Completed a treble last season with a 3l defeat of Alpha Helix at York (1m 6f, good to firm) with BOULEVARD GIRL (10lb better off) 29l.
VAGADOR not seen out on the Flat since 8¾l 4th of 15 to Itsahead at Salisbury (1m 4f, good to firm) in September 1987, but has proved a very useful hurdler. PENNY FORUM beat Caspian Mist 1l in a 10-runner handicap at Warwick (1m 6f 180yd, firm). PRINCE SOBUR beat Nikitas ¾l at Haydock (1m 6f, soft) with BOULEVARD GIRL (8lb better off) 2¾l 5th and CASTLE SECRET (13lb better off) 15th.
Selection: NASHID (nap)

**3.0 GRAND MET HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: £16,440: 5f) (18 runners) BBC1

301 (8) 265-121 DUCK AND DIVE 35 (D,F,G) (J Horgan) R Hannon 9-7 .... B Rouse 93
302 (13) 11424-3 ROYAL FI FI 35 (D,F) (H De Kwiatkowski) Mrs L Piggott 9-1 .... R Cochrane 95
303 (7) 11215-2 VICEROY 17 (D,F,G) (Hambleton Plc) W Pearce 8-13 .... D Nicholls 96
304 (11) 213-262 ELAPSE 31 (D,BF,F) (R Sangster) B Hills 8-8 .... Pat Eddery 94
305 (4) 1413-06 MAY HINTON 35 (F,G) (Sir T Pilkington) J Dunlop 8-7 .... J Reid 91
306 (16) 1250-64 VAX LADY 63 (D,F) (Vax Appliances Ltd) J Spearing 8-6 .... G Husband (7) 96
307 (1) 2-34004 JUDGEMENT CALL 7 (D,F,G) (P Savill) M H Easterby 8-5 .... K Darley 96
308 (17) 11-2804 NIGHT AT SEA 16 (D,F) (Lady Juliet De Chair) L Cumani 8-5 .... L Dettori 96
309 (12) 12-4031 DREAM TALK 8 (B,D,F) (Prince Yazid Saud) J Berry 8-2 .... W Carson ● 99
310 (15) 231-140 RIVERS RHAPSODY 16 (D,F) (R Mead) G Balding 8-2 .... J Williams 97
311 (18) 20-0162 NORTHERN GODDESS 16 (D,F) (N Harris) I Balding 8-0 .... M Roberts 96
312 (2) 5-21 HURRICANE POWER 7 (G) (Al-Deera Ltd) J Hudson 7-12 .... S Whitworth 87
313 (5) 021226 KRISTIS GIRL 14 (D,S) (Mrs A Taylor) D Haydn Jones 7-9 .... T Williams 98
314 (14) 442 YOUNG SHADOWFAX 11 (J Nelson) C Allen 7-8 .... N Carlisle 96
315 (9) 3146-35 REEL FOYLE 16 (D,F) (W Gredley) Mrs L Piggott 7-7 .... S Crossley 96
316 (10) 315 RANCHO MIRAGE 16 (D,G) (J Redmond) J Watts 7-7 .... J Lowe 94
317 (3) 850210 TARA'S GIRL 36 (F) (Tamdown Ltd) W O'Gorman 7-7 .... A Munro 90
318 (6) 16300-0 CHIPANDABIT 16 (D,F,G) (Mrs B Facchino) J Sutcliffe 7-7 .... Dale Gibson (3) 91

BETTING: 7-1 Northern Goddess, 8-1 Dream Talk, Judgement Call, Night At Sea, 10-1 Duck And Dive, Reel Foyle, Royal Fi Fi, 12-1 Elapse, Viceroy, Rivers Rhapsody, Rancho Mirage, 14-1 others.

1989: HINARI TELEVIDEO 7-13 R P Elliott (10-1) M Johnston 12 ran

**FORM FOCUS** DUCK AND DIVE placed first after finishing a neck 2nd to Prayer For Wings in a 12-runner group III event at The Curragh (5f, good). NIGHT AT SEA ¾l 4th to dead-heaters Lyndseylee and Maison Des Fruits at Epsom (5f, good to soft) with REEL FOYLE (1lb worse off) a neck 5th, RANCHO MIRAGE (2lb worse off) a short-head 6th, RIVERS RHAPSODY (1lb better off) 1l 8th and CHIPANDABIT 13th.
DREAM TALK beat Wanda 3l in an 11-runner handicap at York (5f, good to firm). NORTHERN GODDESS 2½l 2nd of 18 to La Grange Music at Newbury (5f, good to firm); previously 6½l 6th to Case Law at Newmarket (5f, good to firm) with NIGHT AT SEA (4lb better off) ¾l 8th and TARA'S GIRL (1lb better off) 3l 10th of the 11 runners; earlier beat Eager Deva a short-head at Bath (5f 167yd, firm). TARA'S GIRL previously beat Kadim ¾l at Newmarket (5f, good to firm), with NIGHT AT SEA (9lb better off) 1½l 6th.
Selection: NORTHERN GODDESS

### Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

**3.35 SOUTHERN COMFORT GRADUATION STAKES** (2-Y-O: £9,006: 6f) (11 runners) BBC1

401 (3) 41 DOKKHA OYSTON 22 (D,G) (Derwis Ltd) J Berry 9-4 .... K Darley 75
402 (4) 1 FLYING BRAVE 15 (D,G) (A Ison) J Dunlop 9-4 .... W Carson ● 99
403 (2) 0132 LA MASAAS 16 (F) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) A Scott 9-4 .... Pat Eddery 89
404 (6) BIT OF A LARK (R Mason) R Hollinshead 8-12 .... —
405 (10) FRAAR (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-12 .... R Hills —
406 (9) GREENDALE (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 8-12 .... M Roberts —
407 (8) 5 HELIOS 70 (Mrs C Painting) R Simpson 8-12 .... S Whitworth —
408 (11) HOKUSAI (C St George) H Cecil 8-12 .... NON-RUNNER —
409 (5) 22 PAY HOMAGE 53 (BF) (Miss A Hill) I Balding 8-12 .... J Matthias 89
410 (7) SHAMSHOM AL ARAB (Miss M Kalaji) D Murray Smith 8-12 .... R Wernham —
411 (1) SUNSET STREET (A Richards) C Brittain 8-12 .... R Cochrane —

BETTING: 7-4 Flying Brave, 3-1 Pay Homage, 4-1 La Masaas, 6-1 Fraar, 8-1 Dokkha Oyston, 10-1 Greendale, 16-1 others.

1989: MAKBUL 9-4 S Cauthen (6-4 fav) D Morley 5 ran

**FORM FOCUS** DOKKHA OYSTON led 2f out and ran on strongly to beat Twilight Fiesta 2l at Hamilton (6f, good). FLYING BRAVE, a 54,000gns purchase, led close home to beat subsequent scorer Redden Burn a short-head on Goodwood (6f, good) debut.
LA MASAAS kept on strongly to finish a head 2nd to Vintage Only at Beverley (5f, good). FRAAR, foaled March 21st, is by Topsider and is the first foal of a dam placed from 6f to 1m. GREENDALE, foaled April 7th, is by Champion sprinter Green Desert out of a dam who scored over 6f as a juvenile. PAY HOMAGE a head 2nd to Foursingh at Bath (5f, firm). SHAMSHOM AL ARAB (foaled Mar 5) by Glenstal and cost 35,000Rgns as a yearling. Holds an entry in the Middle Park. SUNSET STREET (Mar 2) a half-sister to French maiden Diagoras and cost 26,000gns as a yearling. Holds entries in the Middle Park and Dewhurst.
Selection: FLYING BRAVE

**4.10 CHURCHILL STAKES** (3-Y-O: £10,244: 1m 4f) (3 runners)

501 (1) 221 LUCKY GUEST 16 (S) (Windflower Holdings) J Dunlop 8-11 .... W Carson 86
502 (2) 6-441 MIDDLE KINGDOM 29 (D,F) (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 .... S Cauthen 86
503 (3) 332- SNURGE 224 (M Arbib) P Cole 8-11 .... M Roberts ● 99

BETTING: 4-7 Snurge, 7-2 Middle Kingdom, 4-1 Lucky Guest.

1989: SPRITSAIL 8-9 S Cauthen (6-4 fav) H Cecil 6 ran

**FORM FOCUS** LUCKY GUEST led over 2f out and comfortably beat Kaher 3l at Epsom (1m 2f, good to soft). MIDDLE KINGDOM appreciated step up to this trip when beating LUCKY GUEST (same terms) a neck at Haydock (1m 4f, good to firm).
SNURGE won on merit when beating Intimise 3l in a group I race at Saint-Cloud (1m 2f, heavy) but lost the race failing to keep straight. Is very well regarded and has had reappearance delayed due to a pulled muscle.
Selection: SNURGE

**4.40 EBF HALIFAX MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES** (2-Y-O: £8,480: 6f) (8 runners)

601 (1) BORN TO FLY (Mrs B Facchino) J Sutcliffe 8-11 .... M Roberts —
602 (4) FUTUH (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11 .... R Hills —
603 (8) INTERROGATE (A Foustok) R Boss 8-11 .... L Dettori —
604 (6) JAFFA LINE (Mrs P Sheen) D Elsworth 8-11 .... S Cauthen —
605 (2) PANCHOS PEARL (Mrs J Yarnold) C Nelson 8-11 .... J Reid —
606 (7) PLAYUP (Lord Tavistock) Mrs L Piggott 8-11 .... R Cochrane —
607 (3) SHADAYID (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-11 .... W Carson —
608 (5) WASSIFA (M Salem) B Hanbury 8-11 .... Pat Eddery —

BETTING: 5-2 Wassifa, 7-2 Shadayid, 4-1 Jaffa Line, 11-2 Futuh, 13-2 Interrogate, 10-1 Playup, 12-1 others.

1989: FUJAIYRAH 8-11 Pat Eddery (11-10 fav) R Boss 5 ran

BORN TO FLY (foaled May 14) by Last Tycoon and is a half-sister to the very smart juvenile Nashia. Cost 42,000gns as a yearling.
FUTUH (Feb 18) by Diesis out of a dam who was placed in Grade 1 company in America. Cost $200,000 as a yearling. JAFFA LINE (Feb 17) by High Line out of a dam who won over 6f at three. Cost 19,500gns as a yearling.
PANCHOS PEARL (Apr 13) a half-sister to several winners including smart staying filly Rough Pearl. Cost 390,000 as a yearling and holds a Cheveley Park entry. PLAY UP (Apr 11) is by High Line out of an own sister to Precocious who won over 5f as a juvenile. Cost 330,000gns as a yearling and holds a Cheveley Park entry.
SHADAYID (Apr 10) by Shadeed out of a dam who scored over 6f as a juvenile and was placed in the 1,000 Guineas. WASSIFA (Jan 27) by Sure Blade out of a dam who scored over an extended 1m 2f at 3 years.
No selection

### Course specialists

| TRAINERS | Winners | Runners | Per cent | JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | Per cent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H Cecil | 44 | 132 | 33.3 | Pat Eddery | 64 | 309 | 20.7 |
| A Stewart | 9 | 32 | 28.1 | S Cauthen | 54 | 271 | 19.9 |
| L Cumani | 21 | 87 | 24.1 | Dale Gibson | 6 | 31 | 19.4 |
| W O'Gorman | 5 | 22 | 22.7 | R Hills | 12 | 69 | 17.4 |
| G Harwood | 33 | 155 | 21.3 | W Carson | 39 | 265 | 14.7 |
| H T Jones | 13 | 74 | 17.6 | L Dettori | 6 | 41 | 14.6 |

(Not including yesterday's results)

## Sadeem 'very stiff' after cup defeat

SADEEM, well behind Ashal when attempting to win a third Gold Cup at Royal Ascot on Thursday, was yesterday was "very stiff", according to his trainer, Guy Harwood.

"Thankfully he is not lame and all being well will run in the Goodwood Cup." Harwood continued. "It would be marvellous to retire him to stud on a winning note."

● James Toller, the Newmarket trainer, and freelance jockey Billy Newnes have reached a gentlemans' agreement to team up whenever possible.

## AYR

### Selections

By Mandarin
2.30 Foot Soldier.
3.00 Fara.
3.30 Night-Shirt.
4.00 Northgate King.
4.30 Azureus.
5.00 Ayr Classic.
5.30 Matching Lines.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 —
3.00 —
3.30 Night-Shirt.
4.00 Callipoli.
4.30 Magic Secret.
5.00 —
5.30 —

**Going: good  Draw: 5f, low numbers best  SIS**

**2.30 DOONFOOT HANDICAP** (£2,978: 1m 5f) (9 runners)

1 (4) 3-51346 AAHSAYLAD 22 (G) (M Stapleton) F Lee 4-9-10 .... R Lappin (5) 94
2 (6) /230-00 BRUSQUE 50 (E Incisa) E Incisa 6-9-1 .... Kim Tinkler 88
3 (3) 0/004/1 BELDINE 40 (D,G) (Lt-Col W Monteith) P Monteith 5-8-12 .... — 86
4 (5) 2000-00 TALL MEASURE 16 (F) (Mrs J Jones) F Lee 4-8-6 .... D Barrett (7) ● 99
5 (8) 164000 JOE BUMPAS 7 (D,F) (W Spink) T Barron 4-8-4 .... Alex Greaves (5) 88
6 (9) 06-0012 FOOT SOLDIER 12 (G) (J Grondona) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-3 .... Dean McKeown 94
7 (1) 3406-21 POKEREE 22 (D,G) (M Flynn) D Moffatt 7-7-12 .... P Dalton (7) 91
8 (7) 0500 BONANZA 9 (G Reed) C Thornton 3-7-7 .... R Fox 93
9 (2) 000065 ARBORY STREET 12 (S) (J Stewart) Mrs J Ramsden 5-7-7 .... N Kennedy (7) 96

Long handicap: Bonanza 7-6, Arbory Street 7-5.
BETTING: 15-8 Foot Soldier, 7-2 Joe Bumpas, 9-2 Beldine, 6-1 Pokeree, 8-1 Bonanza, 10-1 Aahsaylad, 12-1 others.

1989: ALPHA HELIX 6-8-5 G Duffield (4-1) J Wilson 5 ran

**3.0 LONGHILL MAIDEN CLAIMING STAKES** (3-Y-O: £2,451: 1m 2f) (10 runners)

1 (3) 0-50 MAC RAMBLER 59 (Mrs M Ashton) N Bycroft 8-13 .... S Webster —
2 (1) 0U0-054 ARABIAN STAR 17 (B) (A Budge Ltd) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-11 .... Dean McKeown 79
3 (8) 0 AUTRE AMIE 15 (Mrs A Fisher) J Jefferson 8-8
4 (4) 0-000 RAGTIME COWBOY 9 (G Reed) C Thornton 8-5 .... J Carroll 80
5 (2) 000-046 VAIN PRINCE 35 (A Findlay) N Tinkler 8-5 .... Kim Tinkler 89
6 (9) 43 BATTLE ON 58 (Lord Matthews) Miss S Hall 8-4 .... N Connorton 89
7 (6) 0 INPEB 50 (Mrs J Shine) J Spearing 8-2 .... R Fox —
8 (5) 36450-4 FARA 14 (C Platts) Miss S Hall 8-0 .... P Dalton (7) ● 99
9 (10) 0-000 DENNINGTON BUBBLE 8 (D Broadbent) R Whitaker 7-10 .... L Charnock —
10 (7) 0 BILLOW 8 (Duke of Sutherland) J Watts 7-8 .... N Kennedy (7) —

BETTING: 9-4 Battle On, 3-1 Arabian Star, 5-1 Fara, 8-1 Vain Prince, 10-1 Billow, 12-1 Mac Rambler, 14-1 others.

1989: FEARLESS NATIVE 8-11 J Carroll (9-2) J Berry 5 ran

**3.30 SCOTS WHA'HAE LIMITED HANDICAP** (Gentlemen Amateurs: £2,451: 1m 3f) (6 runners)

1 (3) 3-P1313 NIGHT-SHIRT 21 (D,BF,F) (G Insoll) M Prescott 3-12-0 .... T Easterby 97
2 (6) 10/50-06 FUTURE GLORY 19 (C,S) (R Ogden) Miss S Hall 4-11-13 .... C Platts 82
3 (4) 423313 SWEET N' TWENTY 19 (D,F) (Miss L Hobbs) R Whitaker 4-11-10 .... F Hines ● 99
4 (5) 0U-0643 GREENHILLS PRIDE 7 (C,S) (L Audus) H Collingridge 6-10-12 .... P Close 97
5 (1) 31-0005 ARTHURS STONE 33 (F,S) (J Wilson) J S Wilson 4-10-11 .... T Jenks 94
6 (2) 0000-0 GO ON THE GRAIN 18 (Lightbody of Hamilton Ltd) J S Wilson 3-10-8 .... M Lightbody —

BETTING: Evens Night-Shirt, 4-1 Sweet N' Twenty, 6-1 Greenhills Pride, 8-1 Future Glory, 12-1 Arthurs Stone, 14-1 Go On The Grain.

1989: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

**4.0 BELMONT HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: £3,348: 1m) (8 runners)

1 (4) 030-150 SECRET SOCIETY 35 (D,F) (Lord Matthews) M Camacho 9-7 .... N Connorton 88
2 (1) 20-5600 GET GOING 8 (V,F) (R Bradley) C W Elsey 9-6 .... Dean McKeown 97
3 (8) 50-5613 CALLIPOLI 11 (D,G) (Mrs B Long) John FitzGerald 9-4 .... R Fox 92
4 (5) 155-060 BROADWAY STAR 10 (B,F) (A Dumbrell) M Bell 9-4 .... G Baxter 88
5 (6) 22-3331 KAWARAU QUEEN 9 (D,F) (W Jardine) S Norton 9-2 .... — 92
6 (2) 600206 MAC KELTY 22 (B,S) (W Mackenzie) N Bycroft 8-5 .... — 95
7 (3) 0502-01 NORTHGATE KING 10 (S) (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-2 .... J Carroll ● 99
8 (7) 0000-10 HIGH LIVING 70 (S) (Mrs D Ridley) Mrs J Ramsden 8-0 .... N Kennedy (7) 97

BETTING: 5-2 Northgate King, 7-2 High Living, 9-2 Callipoli, 6-1 Kawarau Queen, 8-1 Secret Society, 12-1 Get Going, 14-1 others.

1989: ROYAL ESTIMATE 8-11 G Duffield (100-30) M H Easterby 7 ran

**4.30 EBF ROMAN WARRIOR SHIELD** (2-Y-O: £3,905: 7f) (8 runners)

1 (4) 2 AZUREUS 10 (BF) (R Johnstone) J S Wilson 9-0 .... Dean McKeown 95
2 (7) CHEEKY POT (Lord Matthews) M Camacho 9-0 .... N Connorton —
3 (2) 00644 CRIMSON CLOUD 10 (Mrs S Oakes) N Tinkler 9-0 .... Kim Tinkler 91
4 (5) 3 FINAL DEED 3 (J Burke) F Lee 9-0 .... R Lappin (5) ● 99
5 (1) 5 GOODBYE MR MARKS 14 (Mrs D Benjamin) N Bycroft 9-0 .... S Webster 77
6 (8) 333 HOOTING DON 10 (H Leetham Ltd) J Berry 9-0 .... J Carroll 92
7 (3) 4 MAGIC SECRET 26 (Saeed Suhail) B Hanbury 9-0 .... R Smith (7) 86
8 (6) TIME OF MY LIFE (C Pennick) Denys Smith 8-9 .... G Baxter —

BETTING: 11-10 Azureus, 4-1 Hooting Don, 11-2 Magic Secret, 8-1 Final Deed, 10-1 Crimson Cloud, 12-1 Goodbye Mr Marks, 14-1 others.

1989: HICKORY WIND 9-0 G Duffield (4-1) Denys Smith 5 ran

**5.0 BELLEISLE STAKES** (2-Y-O: £3,687: 5f) (5 runners)

1 (5) 4414 CRYSTAL JACK 29 (D,G) (Mrs B Facchino) F Lee 9-3 .... R Lappin (5) 92
2 (4) 3221 RHYTHMIC DANCER 26 (D,F) (Heathavon Stables Ltd) J Berry 9-3 .... J Carroll 96
3 (2) 153 STAMFORD BRIDGE 22 (D,F) (M Brittain) M Brittain 9-3 .... G Baxter 90
4 (3) 11 AYR CLASSIC 38 (CD,G,S) (P Orr) J S Wilson 9-1 .... Dean McKeown ● 99
5 (1) 1463 MISS EL ARAB 17 (D,F) (M Graham) E Alston 8-12 .... S Webster 94

BETTING: 10-11 Ayr Classic, 10-3 Rhythmic Dancer, 8-1 Miss El Arab, 9-1 Crystal Jack, 10-1 Stamford Bridge.

1989: CROFT IMPERIAL 9-3 J Carroll (3-1) J Berry 7 ran

**5.30 ROZELLE HANDICAP** (£3,785: 5f) (7 runners)

1 (2) 022145 JONDEBE BOY 2 (C,D,BF,F,S) (Mrs J Jordan) G Moore 6-10-0 .... R Lappin (5) 89
2 (5) 512236 NUCLEAR EXPRESS 22 (D,F,G,S) (P Clark) J Berry 3-9-3 .... J Carroll 97
3 (6) 0245 HATTA FORT 6 (V) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Watts 3-9-0 .... Dean McKeown 84
4 (1) 454121 DOMINUET 3 (D,G,S) (Mrs R Heathcote) J Spearing 5-8-12 (7ex) .... R Fox 82
5 (7) 001101 DECEIT 9 (B,D,F,G) (Full Circle F Plc) N Tinkler 3-8-9 .... Kim Tinkler 88
6 (3) 40-0062 BELLA SEVILLE 3 (B,D,F,G,S) (H Duddin) T Barron 6-8-0 .... L Charnock 98
7 (4) 10-4004 MATCHING LINES 14 (D,G) (Mrs H Meskin) Mrs J Ramsden 3-7-11 .... N Kennedy (7) ● 99

BETTING: 11-4 Deceit, 7-2 Dominuet, 5-1 Hatta Fort, 8-1 Jondebe Boy, Matching Lines, 10-1 Nuclear Express, 12-1 Bella Seville.

1989: LA CHIQUITA 5-9-9 B Raymond (3-1) T Craig 5 ran

### Course specialists

| TRAINERS | Winners | Runners | Per cent | JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | Per cent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs J Ramsden | 13 | 41 | 31.7 | G Baxter | 3 | 17 | 17.6 |
| J Jefferson | 6 | 26 | 23.1 | J Carroll | 13 | 74 | 17.6 |
| B Hanbury | 6 | 32 | 18.8 | R Lappin | 3 | 18 | 16.7 |
| M Camacho | 3 | 16 | 18.8 | Dean McKeown | 12 | 93 | 12.9 |
| M Prescott | 5 | 31 | 16.1 | N Connorton | 20 | 163 | 12.3 |
| J Berry | 21 | 141 | 14.9 | Kim Tinkler | 13 | 124 | 10.5 |


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### Selections

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1.45 La Mariquita. 2.15 Knock Knock. 2.45 Annabelle Royale. 3.15 Penny Mint. 3.45 Buonarroti. 4.15 Non Constat. 4.45 Staunch Rival.

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1.45 Midsummer Common. 2.15 Florida Secret. 2.45 Kawwas. 3.15 Miracles Happen. 3.45 Buonarroti. 4.45 Realm.

**Going: good to firm  SIS**
**Draw: 5f-1m, high numbers best**

**1.45 LIVERTON SELLING STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,490: 7f) (15 runners)

1 50 BOLD SPARK 12 (B) J Berry 8-11 .... G Carter 11
2 660 CAMERON PRIDE 35 J Dooler 8-11 .... A Mercer 13
3 050 FABRICIOUS 43 (B) M W Easterby 8-11 .... — 2
4 225 JOE BLOW 16 W Pearce 8-11 .... J Fortune (5) 14
5 0 LITTLE CONKER 8 A Smith 8-11 .... — 10
6 60 PEDANTRY 3 (B) D Chapman 8-11 .... S Wood (3) 5
7 60 SKIDADDLE 43 J Wainwright 8-11 .... K Fallon 4
8 69 TENDER DANCER 18 M Brittain 8-11 .... M Wigham 1
9 50 DOLLY BOD 15 M H Easterby 8-6 .... P Burke 9
10 0 KAGRAM QUEEN 32 Mrs G Reveley 8-6 .... M A Giles (5) 6
11 3 LA MARIQUITA 6 J Hetherton 8-6 .... W Newnes 8
12 0005 LINKRIS 9 R Stubbs 8-6 .... Nicola Haworth (7) 12
13 6365 MIDSUMMER COMMON 12 D Morley 8-6 .... G Duffield 7
14 0 TEENOSO'S GIRL 12 J Payne 8-6 .... R Morse 3
15 0 WHIMBREL 49 M H Easterby 8-6 .... M Birch 15

7-2 Bold Spark, 9-2 La Mariquita, 6-1 Whimbrel, 7-1 Kagram Queen, 8-1 Tender Dancer, 10-1 others.

**2.15 DAILY MIRROR BELLE HANDICAP** (Lady riders: £3,106: 1m) (15)

1 1021 PALATIAL STYLE 3 (D,G) M Avison 3-11-8 (8ex) .... Celia Radband (3) 5
2 1056 EUCHAN GLEN 28 (F,G) J S Wilson 3-11-7 .... Nanette Johnstone (7) 3
3 6-30 INVERTIEL 26 (F) Mrs G Reveley 6-11-7 .... — 2
4 0222 KNOCK KNOCK 10 (D,F) I Balding 5-11-1 .... Clare Balding 6
5 6-30 ISLAND JETSETTER 3 M H Easterby 4-10-11 .... Lelia Fahey (3) 12
6 3515 QUISHT 3 (B,CD,F) C Beever 4-10-8 .... Juanita Crossley 15
7 4164 TOPEKA EXPRESS 26 (CD,F) C Tinkler 7-10-7 .... Sandy Brook 8
8 0345 FLORIDA SECRET 9 (F) J Pearce 3-10-2 .... Lydia Pearce 7
9 0-02 COUNT BERTRAND 7 (BF,D,F) W Holden 9-9-10 .... Kathryn Holden (7) 14
10 2810 LIGHTNING THUNDER 3 (B,C,F) Denys Smith 3-9-9 .... Alison Dunn (3) 13
11 5360- HEAVENLY HOOFER 24J (CD,F,G) W Storey 7-9-0 .... Suzie Francome (7) 9
12 -000 AIRE VALLEY LAD 2 R Bastiman 3-9-0 .... Louise Jackson (7) 1
13 00/ JOHN'S REEF 413J T Kersey 5-9-0 .... — 4
14 0600 DENHAM HOUSE 8 T Kersey 3-9-0 .... Julie Maddison (7) 11
15 0505 MARCHING STAR 21 (B) J Haldane 4-9-0 .... Pamela Turnbull (7) 10

7-2 Knock Knock, 11-2 Invertiel, 13-2 Palatial Style, Topeka Express, 8-1 Florida Secret, Count Bertrand, 10-1 others.

**2.45 RONALDSHAY CUP** (Handicap: £4,737: 7f) (12)

1 -180 ORIENTAL SPLENDOUR 35 (BF,D,F,G) Miss S Hall 4-10-0 .... Paul Eddery 5
2 0040 MARCROFT 36 (V,F,G) R Whitaker 4-9-8 .... A Culhane 7
3 350- ACTRESS 126J (D,F,G) J Wharton 4-9-4 .... G Carter 9
4 2-00 SAY YOU WILL 8 (V,D,F,S) M Naughton 6-9-4 .... K Fallon 1
5 -233 SHARPALTO 10 E Wheeler 3-9-3 .... M Wigham 2
6 5151 ANNABELLE ROYALE 7 (D,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 4-9-1 .... N Adams 4
7 6262 LUST OF LOVE 8 (D,F) Miss L Siddall 4-8-13 .... W R Swinburn 3
8 4405 MR WADDILOVE 21 (B,F,S) W Pearce 4-8-11 .... J Fortune (5) 6
9 0635 ALDAHE 10 (D,F) T Craig 5-8-10 .... M Birch 12
10 2006 COOL ENOUGH 7 (D,F,G,S) Mrs J Ramsden 9-8-7 .... F Norton (7) 8
11 0-02 KAWWAS 14 (F) W Holden 5-8-8 .... J Bleasdale 11
12 5466 CHOTOMSKI 8 (B) M W Easterby 6-7-13 .... — 10

3-1 Annabelle Royale, 4-1 Oriental Splendour, 11-2 Aldahe, 8-1 Actress, Say You Will, 10-1 Marcroft, 12-1 others.

**3.15 TATTERSALLS MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,709: 5f) (10)

1 02 GREAT MUSIC 12 J Wainwright 8-12 .... W Newnes 3
2 EL YASAF R Stubbs 8-9 .... J Fortune (5) 10
3 GALLERY ARTIST R Guest 8-9 .... S Eiffert (7) 1
4 202 ANDNOALTO 5 R Stubbs 8-8 .... E Guest 8
5 0 WYCLIFFE 12 Denys Smith 8-7 .... J Bleasdale 5
6 654 HIGHLAND SPIRIT 12 R Whitaker 8-6 .... A Culhane 6
7 23 MIRACLES HAPPEN 8 (BF) M Tompkins 8-5 .... C Hodgson (7) 7
8 2 WOODY EXPRESS 14 M Ellerby 8-5 .... S Morris 2
9 0 FIVESEVENFIVEO 32 J Berry 8-2 .... G Carter 9
10 0 PENNY MINT 15 J Eustace 8-1 .... Paul Eddery 4

5-2 Great Music, 4-1 Fivesevenfiveo, 5-1 Highland Spirit, 11-2 Woody Express, 7-1 Miracles Happen, 8-1 others.

**3.45 FORTY ACRE MAIDEN** (3-Y-O: £2,060: 1m 6f) (4)

1 03 BUONARROTI 18 (BF) H Cecil 9-0 .... Paul Eddery 2
2 4 DESERT OF STARS 12 M Stoute 9-0 .... W R Swinburn 1
3 ABSAAR A Stewart 8-9 .... M Birch 4
4 00-0 AVONSIDE 11 J Johnson 8-9 .... J Fortune (5) 3

8-13 Buonarroti, 3-1 Desert Of Stars, 11-2 Absaar, 20-1 Avonside.

**4.15 UGTHORPE HANDICAP** (£2,343: 1m 5f 125yd) (6)

1 -081 NICHOLAS MARK 14 (CD,F,G) R Whitaker 6-9-10 .... W R Swinburn 6
2 4000 NON CONSTAT 9 (V,C,G) R Thompson 6-9-5 .... R McGhin 1
3 2004 BURSANA 3 (C,G) C Booth 4-8-12 .... — 3
4 301- LA CASTANA 37J (F) C Beever 4-8-11 .... J Fortune (5) 5
5 3125 SURCOAT 15 (BF,G) C W C Elsey 3-8-9 .... K Fallon 2
6 4140 BRONZE RUNNER 23 (B,F,G) E Wheeler 6-8-1 .... W Newnes 4

2-1 Non Constat, 7-2 Bursana, 9-2 La Castana, 6-1 Bronze Runner, 8-1 Nicholas Mark, 10-1 Surcoat.

**4.45 CORAL BOOKMAKERS HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: £3,002: 1m 1f) (11)

1 1020 KING'S SHILLING 15 (F) I Balding 9-7 .... W Newnes 5
2 3000 LINE OF VISION 15 (BF) Mrs J Ramsden 9-6 .... F Norton (7) 9
3 -223 REALM 33 A Stewart 9-3 .... M Birch 8
4 024 TAMISE 15 (BF) M Stoute 9-3 .... W R Swinburn 10
5 3-61 STAUNCH RIVAL 28 J Gosden 8-13 .... G Carter 1
6 056 LAMBSON 19 R Whitaker 8-9 .... A Culhane 2
7 40-6 REEF WIND 14 S Norton 8-5 .... J Fortune (5) 4
8 0535 O'BERON'S DAUGHTER 6 R Thompson 8-4 .... — 6
9 0540 NIDOMI 32 M Prescott 8-0 .... G Duffield 11
10 -002 WATER GOD 11 R Johnson Houghton 7-13 .... Paul Eddery 7
11 4656 ESCAPE TALK 9 (F) M Brittain 7-10 .... P Burke 3

11-4 Reef Wind, 9-2 Realm, 5-1 King's Shilling, 13-2 Line of Vision, 8-1 Escape Talk, 10-1 O'Beron's Daughter, 12-1 others.

### Course specialists

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 24 winners from 59 runners, 40.7%; M Stoute, 12 from 46, 26.1%; M Prescott, 12 from 64, 18.8%; J S Wilson, 7 from 41, 17.1%; A Stewart, 3 from 19, 15.8%; C Tinkler, 17 from 125, 13.6%.

JOCKEYS: J Fortune, 5 winners from 32 rides, 15.6%; G Duffield, 28 from 199, 14.1%; G Carter, 12 from 85, 14.1%; W R Swinburn, 6 from 46, 13.0%; W Newnes, 5 from 40, 12.5%; M Birch, 29 from 286, 10.1%.

(Not including yesterday's results)

## Racing next week

MONDAY: Nottingham, Edinburgh, †Windsor.
TUESDAY: Brighton, †Newbury, Yarmouth.
WEDNESDAY: †Kempton Park, †Chester, Salisbury, Carlisle.
THURSDAY: Salisbury, Carlisle.
FRIDAY: Newmarket, †Newcastle, Doncaster, †Goodwood, †Bath, Lingfield Park.
SATURDAY: Newmarket, Newcastle, Chepstow, †Lingfield Park, †Warwick, †Doncaster.
†Denotes evening meeting.

## LINGFIELD PARK

### Selections

By Mandarin
6.30 Ballet Classique. 7.0 Karim's Kid. 7.30 Concert Pitch. 8.0 Love Returned. 8.30 Welsh Siren. 9.0 Windsor Park.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.30 Ballet Classique. 7.0 Zloty. 7.30 Future Gamble. 8.0 Love Returned. 8.30 Evening Affair. 9.0 Ben's Birdie.

**Going: good**
**Draw: high numbers best up to 7f 140yd**

**6.30 BARBICAN HOLDINGS MAIDEN STAKES** (3-Y-O: £2,488: 1m 3f 106yd) (9 runners)

1 0 BOLD MERIT 8 D Elsworth 9-0 .... J Williams 9
2 00 DASHWOOD 40 D Jermy 9-0 .... T Williams 3
3 2-2 KAHER 16 A Stewart 9-0 .... M Roberts 4
4 0 MURDERER'S ROW 10 J Gosden 9-0 .... R Hills 1
5 ALLEGRA J Gosden 8-9 .... L Dettori 6
6 22 BALLET CLASSIQUE 25 (BF) B Hanbury 8-9 .... B Raymond 5
7 BLUE VERYAN W Haggas 8-9 .... B Rouse 2
8 5- CRIBELLA 238 K Brassey 8-9 .... S Whitworth 8
9 00- PENAMICA 231 M Ryan 8-9 .... G Bardwell 7

5-4 Kaher, 5-2 Ballet Classique, 8-1 Murderer's Row, 8-1 Cribella, 12-1 Allegra, Blue Veryan, 16-1 others.

**7.0 EBF SAFFRON MAIDEN STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,888: 5f) (8)

1 0 BELL BOY 8 R Smyth 9-0 .... S Whitworth 5
2 430 KARIM'S KID 3 R Boss 9-0 .... L Dettori 8
3 PARIOS J Payne 9-0 .... B Raymond 1
4 00 THE MIGHTY MAJOR 14 I Campbell 9-0 .... B Rouse 6
5 4322 ZLOTY 12 W Jarvis 9-0 .... J Reid 3
6 4 CHESHIRE NELL 11 W Carter 8-9 .... M Roberts 7
7 02 COLONIAL LEGEND 15 J Hills 8-9 .... R Hills 4
8 50 TREATY STONE LADY 14 M Murphy 8-9 .... W Wharton 2

2-1 Karim's Kid, 5-2 Colonial Legend, 4-1 Zloty, 7-1 Cheshire Legend, 10-1 Bell Boy, 12-1 Parios, 16-1 others.

**7.30 BROOKE BOND CHOICEST TEA CUP HANDICAP** (Amateurs: £2,805: 7f 140yd) (20)

1 5-60 SINGLE 8 (D,F,G,S) W Wightman 8-12-0 .... G Hills (5) 11
2 340- MUKIR 227 P Walwyn 4-11-13 .... P MacEwan 13
3 600 HILLS OF HOY 10 I Balding 4-11-13 .... Clare Balding 1
4 0024 TAUBER 7 (CD,F,G,S) Pat Mitchell 6-11-11 .... N Mitchell (5) 18
5 0002 TIDDLY WINKS 18 R Smyth 5-11-3 .... Yvonne Haynes (5) 3
6 2043 PIPERS HILL 5 (D,F) M Channon 3-11-3 .... Shelley Davies (5) 8
7 0605 COX CREEK 8 P Mitchell 3-11-2 .... Maxine Juster 7
8 0421 FAILAND 9 (D,F) R Holder 3-11-1 .... R Farrant (5) 17
9 3110 ELECTRIC ROSE 14 (V,F,G) C Allen 5-10-13 .... Robina Lowes (5) 12
10 2444 SOBRIETY 30 (D,F,S) G Balding 5-10-13 .... C Francis (5) 20
11 -025 MELFA 133 (F) J Davies 5-10-12 .... L Sax (5) 4
12 6-32 ROYAL ACCLAIM 26 (V,D,F) A Hide 5-10-11 .... P Hide (5) 16
13 0034 BALIGAY 12 (B,D,G) R Hodges 5-10-10 .... Celia Radband (3) 19
14 0002 ESCAPE HATCH 12 (B) R Hannon 4-10-8 .... Denise Pomeroy (5) 6
15 0403 MAIDEN BIDDER 9 (D,BF,F,G) D Wilson 8-10-8 .... Elaine Bronson 14
16 2002 CONCERT PITCH 9 (D,F,G,S) B Paling 11-10-7 .... Katherine Christopher (5) 2
17 020P LONGIRL SISTER 12 J Ffitch-Heyes 4-10-5 .... Zoe Davison (5) 15
18 0000 ESCES TREE 11 (D,F,G) C Holmes 8-10-4 .... R Barrett (5) 9
19 -002 FUTURE GAMBLE 5 (F) P Felden 5-10-3 .... Julia Feilden (5) 5
20 0000 CORRIANNE 14 R Guest 3-10-3 .... Britt Guest (5) 10

5-1 Future Gamble, 6-1 Sobriety, 7-1 Concert Pitch, 8-1 Baligay, 9-1 Tauber, 10-1 Royal Acclaim, 12-1 others.

**8.0 SUMMER HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: £3,422: 5f) (12)

1 48-5 FARFELU 10 (CD,F) K Brassey 9-7 .... S Whitworth 9
2 5362 LOVE RETURNED 10 (D,F) W Jarvis 9-6 .... M Tebbutt 12
3 5116 SHIKARI'S SON 7 (D,BF,F) S Harris 9-6 .... R Cochrane 3
4 1-06 TAKEALL 17 (D,F) B McMahon 9-1 .... L Dettori 4
5 1-04 MIEKA 30 (D,S) R Boss 9-0 .... Dale Gibson (3) 8
6 0002 FACTUELLE 9 (D,S) M Fetherston-Godley 8-11 .... M Roberts 10
7 200- STEALTHY 240 I Balding 8-10 .... J Matthias 2
8 -309 FAULTLESS SPEECH 7 G Lewis 8-9 .... B Rouse 7
9 4501 MAISON DES FRUITS 19 (D,S) C Allen 8-9 .... N Carlisle 5
10 0-10 REDNET 15 (D) D Chapman 8-4 .... J Williams 11
11 4040 MAID WELCOME 7 M Haynes 7-9 .... G Bardwell 1
12 0400 BLAZING SUNSET 7 (CD,F) D Wilson 7-9 .... T Williams 6

7-2 Love Returned, 9-2 Farfelu, 5-1 Shikari's Son, 7-1 Mieka, Maison Des Fruits, 8-1 Takeall, 10-1 others.

**8.30 IPC WOMEN'S MAGAZINES GROUP HANDICAP** (£2,595: 1m 2f) (12)

1 -264 EVENING AFFAIR 37 (F) R Boss 4-10-0 .... Dale Gibson (3) 1
2 0-46 SONIC SIGNAL 10 (F,G) M Haynes 4-9-9 .... — 3
3 4-15 WELSH SIREN 18 (BF,F) D Elsworth 4-8-8 .... J Williams 5
4 00-0 PRIME WARDEN 15 J Ffitch-Heyes 4-8-4 .... A Clark 4
5 0005 VICEROY JESTER 9 (B) R Holder 5-8-12 .... M Roberts 8
6 060 ANTAGONIST 35 B Millman 3-8-9 .... P D'Arcy 11
7 0-40 SONIC LORD 12 (B,D,F) R Voorspuy 5-8-3 .... S Dawson 9
8 1200 DR ZEVA 8 (D,F) J Jenkins 4-8-2 .... — 2
9 0546 PALACE MILL 7 R Hodges 4-8-1 .... G Bardwell 12
10 0062 RUSSIAN RED 8 W Wightman 3-7-13 .... T Williams 7
11 44-0 TWILIGHT FANTASY 43 M Blanshard 4-7-11 .... C Rutter 10
12 0665 DENITZ 15 (B) C Holmes 8-7-9 .... M Humphries (7) 6

7-2 Evening Affair, 5-1 Welsh Siren, 6-1 Dr Zeva, 7-1 Sonic Signal, 8-1 Viceroy Jester, 10-1 Palace Mill, 12-1 others.

**9.0 HONEYWOOD HANDICAP** (£2,490: 1m 3f 106yd) (8)

1 -445 WINDSOR PARK 7 (C,BF,G) R O'Sullivan 4-10-0 .... [illegible] 7
2 1630 SE-AQ 9 (F) C Popham 5-9-8 .... J Reid 4
3 20-0 TOLOMENA 28 W Wightman 4-8-13 .... T Williams 3
4 -643 NIKATINO 28 (D,BF,F) R Akehurst 4-8-11 .... B Rouse 8
5 04/0 PATAUDI 14 P Howling 10-8-8 .... J Williams 2
6 0000 KOLONAKI 7 G Lewis 3-8-4 .... M Roberts 5
7 04/0 BEN'S BIRDIE 9 (D,G,S) C Allen 10-8-3 .... R Morse 1
8 4044 INCOLA 18 H Candy 4-8-1 .... C Rutter 6

9-4 Windsor Park, 3-1 Nikatino, 4-1 Se-Aq, 7-1 Kolonaki, Tolomena, 12-1 Incola, 20-1 others.

### Course specialists

TRAINERS: A Stewart, 6 winners from 16 runners, 37.5%; R Boss, 14 from 52, 26.9%; R O'Sullivan, 6 from 31, 19.4%; J Hills, 4 from 21, 19.0%; W Jarvis, 5 from 30, 16.7%; B Hanbury, 6 from 37, 16.2%.

JOCKEYS: L Dettori, 15 winners from 53 rides, 28.3%; J Reid, 32 from 207, 15.5%; M Roberts, 15 from 102, 14.7%; R Cochrane, 15 from 111, 13.5%; B Raymond, 15 from 117, 12.8%; J Matthias, 7 from 60, 11.7%.

## WARWICK

### Selections

By Mandarin
6.15 Saint Systems. 6.45 My Alibi. 7.15 Cruising Height. 7.45 Nad Elshiba. 8.15 Flight Of Pleasure. 8.45 Dazzlingly Radiant.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.15 The Shanahan Bay. 6.45 Kirby Opportunity. 7.15 Applecross. 7.45 Alim. 8.15 Flight Of Pleasure. 8.45 Sockem.

**Going: good  Draw: 5f-6f, low numbers best**

**6.15 HENLEY IN ARDEN HANDICAP** (£2,924: 5f) (15 runners)

1 0413 AUGHFAD 11 (B,D,F,G) T Casey 4-10-0 .... — 3
2 0203 THE SHANAHAN BAY 9 (B,D,F) E Eldin 5-9-9 .... A Mackay 1
3 -002 NAZARE BLUE 9 (BF) Mrs B Waring 3-8-12 .... N Howe 6
4 6-51 SAINT SYSTEMS 7 (D,F,G) C Hill 4-8-12 .... N Adams 10
5 -000 HIGHLAND ROWENA 5 (D,F,G) B McMahon 5-8-9 .... Ron Hillis (5) 8
6 2340 HALVOYA 21 (BF,F) J Spearing 5-8-2 .... G Husband (5) 13
7 00-0 PRETTY DUET 10 C Holmes 3-8-2 .... A Shoults 4
8 00-0 BRAVE MELODY 9 (D,G) J H Wilson 4-7-13 .... G Hind (5) 7
9 -0000 ELOFAHABIT 15 (B,D,F) L Barratt 4-7-13 .... A Proud 14
10 0-00 KIRBY'S BEST 17 G Blum 3-7-8 .... Dana Mellor 2
11 0000 GLENSAY 26 M McCourt 4-7-7 .... D Biggs 11
12 5045 ROYAL BEAR 11 (CD,F,S) K Cunningham-Brown 8-7-7 .... — 12
13 0000 HANNAH'S SECRET 9 B Palling 4-7-7 .... — 9
14 -000 C U TECHNIMECH 5 M Eckley 4-7-7 .... R Street 5
15 030- MISS WESLEY 270 (D,F) A Turnell 5-7-7 .... J Lowe 15

7-2 Saint Systems, 9-2 Nazare Blue, 5-1 The Shanahan Bay, 6-1 Halvoya, 8-1 Aughfad, Brave Melody, 10-1 others.

**6.45 ASHORNE SELLING STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,448: 6f) (10)

1 41 MY ALIBI 5 (B,D,F) W Carter 9-4 .... M Wigham 9
2 412 ANGEL TRAIN 12 (BF,F) T Thomson Jones 8-13 .... K Darley 10
3 060 KING NODDY 58 B Palling 8-11 .... W Ryan 7
4 0 FIRE OF TROY 26 R Holder 8-6 .... B Marcus 1
5 60 FRIMLEY DANCER 28 C Hill 8-6 .... N Adams 4
6 KALOOKI QUEEN B Stevens 8-6 .... D McKay 6
7 044 KIRBY OPPORTUNITY 17 G Blum 8-6 .... A Munro 8
8 3 MISS CRUSTY 42 R Holder 8-6 .... A Dicks 5
9 56 RAISE A RUBY 11 J Berry 8-6 .... — 2
10 0500 SEVERALS CLARE 18 F Durr 8-6 .... — 3

7-4 My Alibi, 3-1 Angel Train, 5-1 Raise A Ruby, 8-1 Frimley Dancer, Kirby Opportunity, 10-1 others.

**7.15 WARWICK OAKS** (3-Y-O: £4,269: 1m 4f 52yd) (4)

1 11 APPLECROSS 12 (D,F,G) H Cecil 8-13 .... S Cauthen 4
2 21-1 CLARE COURT 57 (D,F,G) I Balding 8-13 .... A Munro 1
3 1 CRUISING HEIGHT 15 (S) B Hills 8-13 .... Pat Eddery 3
4 211- LIFFEY LACE 237 (F,S) J Dunlop 8-10 .... W Carson 2

11-10 Cruising Height, 7-4 Applecross, 8-1 Liffey Lace, 8-1 Clare Court.

### Course specialists

TRAINERS: W Hern, 4 winners from 9 runners, 44.4%; H Cecil, 16 from 44, 36.4%; Miss L Siddall, 4 from 13, 30.8%; J Berry, 13 from 57, 22.8%; J Dunlop, 14 from 65, 21.5%; C Williams, 3 from 14, 21.4%.

JOCKEYS: S Cauthen, 17 winners from 57 rides, 29.8%; Pat Eddery, 13 from 58, 22.4%; D Biggs, 3 from 14, 21.4%; W Carson, 22 from 108, 20.4%; T Quinn, 17 from 93, 18.3%; K Darley, 4 from 34, 11.8%.

**7.45 KINGMAKER HANDICAP** (£3,158: 1m 2f 170yd) (14)

1 -842 NAD ELSHIBA 28 W Hern 4-10-0 .... W Carson 11
2 442- KALA EAGLE 236 J McConnochie 4-9-6 .... Pat Eddery 12
3 00-0 ASTLEY JACK 54 K White 4-8-7 .... N Howe 5
4 4640 ALIM 10 (B) B Hanbury 3-8-5 .... W Ryan 14
5 -006 EARLY BREEZE 9 (S) M McCourt 4-8-3 .... M Wigham 4
6 0030 THE MAGUE 12 (B,CD,F,G) Miss L Siddall 6-7-13 .... A Munro 3
7 -203 MIDDLE HALF 26 P Cole 5-7-11 .... — 7
8 06-0 CHART CROSS 7 (F) K Bridgwater 4-7-10 .... A Proud 2
9 -005 MOUNTAIN WIND 28 J Sutcliffe 3-7-10 .... A MacKay 13
10 6521 LEADING GUEST 7 (D,F) R Hodges 5-7-9 .... N Adams 6
11 /05 KING OF THE CLOUDS 10 (B) K Bridgwater 5-7-7 .... J Lowe 1
12 -000 CREEFLEUR 9 (S) K Brassey 4-7-7 .... Kim McDonnell (7) 8
13 /0 TUDOR D'OR 14 R Lee 7-7-7 .... G Hind (5) 9
14 /-60 REVEREND MOTHER 15 (B) N Kernick 4-7-7 .... R Street 10

5-2 Leading Guest, 5-1 Nad Elshiba, 6-1 Middle Half, The Mague, 8-1 Kala Eagle, 10-1 Alim, Early Breeze, 12-1 others.

**8.15 HOME ON THE RANGE FILLIES STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,872: 7f) (6)

1 5210 ALMASA 3 (G) J Fox 9-4 .... R Perham (5) 2
2 01 FLIGHT OF PLEASURE 17 (G) B Hanbury 9-4 .... Pat Eddery 4
3 221 GREEN'S CASSATT 18 (F) P Cole 9-4 .... T Quinn 3
4 0 MENDIP MIST 9 R Holder 8-11 .... — 1
5 502 SANDHURST TYPE 12 M Murphy 8-11 .... A Dicks 6
6 TOTAL SPORT D Browne 8-11 .... A MacKay 5

2-1 Almasa, 5-2 Flight Of Pleasure, 7-2 Green's Cassatt, 4-1 Sandhurst Type, 16-1 Mendip Mist, 33-1 Total Sport.

**8.45 FERNDALE HANDICAP** (3-Y-O: £3,036: 7f) (19)

1 604- KINLACEY 254 B McMahon 9-7 .... W Ryan 10
2 1130 SOCKEM 16 (CD,F) C Williams 9-3 .... M Wigham 12
3 000 GREEK LAD 7 Mrs B Waring 8-13 .... N Howe 14
4 0262 DAZZLINGLY RADIANT 5 R Hannon 8-12 .... Pat Eddery 3
5 6-40 PULPIT ROCK 15 R Johnson Houghton 8-11 .... A MacKay 7
6 -3140 MANSE KEY GOLD 23 (D,G,S) R Earnshaw 8-11 .... J Fortune (5) 9
7 00-6 KID LEWIS 39 J Dunlop 8-11 .... W Carson 13
8 1205 LA RAPTOTTE 16 (D,F) M Charles 8-10 .... G Husband (5) 19
9 0024 TYRIAN PRINCE 25 (B) P Cole 8-10 .... T Quinn 15
10 -455 ANTIQUE ANDY 15 D Murray-Smith 8-7 .... R Wernham 11
11 0-00 BERKELEY HILL BOY 26 R Akehurst 8-5 .... N Adams 18
12 -050 ROMANOVNA 9 T Thomson Jones 8-4 .... K Darley 4
13 00-0 MAGIC BULLET 15 J Etherington 8-4 .... A Munro 17
14 00-0 PRINCESS SONATA 54 D Arbuthnot 8-1 .... J Lowe 1
15 0000 BROWN CARPET 21 G Lewis 8-1 .... B Marcus 16
16 -605 BROTHER RAY 18 J Sutcliffe 7-13 .... B Crossley 5
17 -000 BOLD RAB 40 J White 7-11 .... A Shoults 2
18 -000 MOHNS 9 M Usher 7-7 .... J Quinn 8
19 0060 WHITE SQUIRREL 8 (B) W Carter 7-7 .... D Biggs (5) 6

5-1 Dazzlingly Radiant, 6-1 Pulpit Rock, 8-1 Kinlacey, La Raptotte, 10-1 Kid Lewis, Sockem, 12-1 others.

## Shellac in German raid

Luca Cumani's Shellac (Lanfranco Dettori), unsuccessfully tried in pattern company at home this season, contests the group two Idee Hansa-Preis (1m 3f) at Hamburg tomorrow.

The Newmarket challenger faces tough opposition with the smart German four-year-olds, Turfkonig and Taishan, plus the Norwegian-trained Silvestro among his six rivals.

The Polish-bred and German-trained Krezus, still a possible in the Eclipse Stakes, also runs, while Gary Carter has been booked to ride the German Oaks winner, Highness Lady.

Women struggle against gales to reach the semi-finals of the Eastbourne tennis championship

# Navratilova eyes ninth title

By Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent

AFTER the wash-out of the previous day, a considerable amount of overtime was required to get back on schedule in the Pilkington Glass women's championships at Devonshire Park yesterday. Unfortunately, the outside courts had shipped so much water, play was not possible until lunchtime, so the centre court had to bear the brunt of the work.

By late afternoon, the first shift had finished, Martina Navratilova, Jana Novotna, Lori McNeil and Gretchen Majors reaching the semi-finals. The first two won in straight sets, the other two were even quicker than that, their opponents, Manon Bollegraf and Mary Joe Fernandez, being forced to retire with injuries.

To finish the day's business, a following wind was needed. But the organisers had not bargained for the howling gale which made standing up a major feat of balance and playing tennis a severe test of humour. The conditions favoured the experienced seasiders and Navratilova, eight times Pilkington Glass champion, is now as much a part of June in Eastbourne as Punch and Judy and the D'Oyly Carte company at the Winter Gardens.

But even in her twelfth season here, the defending champion was disconcerted by the strength of the wind which, at one point, reduced the match to an impasse when the ball girl was unable to throw the ball hard enough to reach Navratilova. She failed five times and eventually moved upwind. In the circumstances, Navratilova and Natalia Zvereva manufactured some extremely good tennis, much of it, at least in the first set, played by the Russian.

For a time, Zvereva matched the No. 1 seed point for point and break for break. In many ways, she is a poor woman's version of Steffi Graf — athletic without quite having the speed or the physical presence of the world No. 1, skilful without quite having the same power.

She is certainly a better volleyer than Graf and has a better sense of timing on the approach. But the main difference is her head. After losing the first set on a tie-break, somewhat unluckily, Zvereva, the No. 5 seed, simply gave the game away.

"The wind was uncomfortable and I wasn't in the mood to fight," she said with disarming frankness. "I don't know why that was. It used to happen more a year ago, but not so much recently." Clearly, the seaside air does not suit her brittle temperament.

Bollegraf, who has been on the circuit for five years, rarely gets the sight of a semi-final. So, though she had lost the first set, she was desperately disappointed when a knee injury forced her to retire early in the second set against McNeil.

Novotna won a topsy-turvy match with her doubles partner Helena Sukova 7-5 6-4, proof that the form which took her to the semi-final of the French Open has crossed the Channel too. You can never quite tell with her. "I am comfortable on grass," she said, a feeling not shared by Fernandez, who slipped in the second set of her match with the unseeded Magers and also retired.

RESULTS: Singles: Quarter-finals: J Novotna (Cz) bt H Sukova (Cz), 7-5, 6-4; M Navratilova (US) bt N Zvereva (USSR), 7-6, 6-1; L McNeil (US) bt M Bollegraf (Neth), 6-3, 1-1, ret.; G Magers (US) bt M J Fernandez (US), 6-2, 2-2, ret.

MARC ASPLAND

An eyeful: Navratilova at Eastbourne yesterday

## Biggest pay-day of Brown's career

By Ian Ross

NICK Brown, the British No. 2, endured a day of sharply contrasting emotions at Direct Line Insurance Open in Manchester yesterday.

Just three hours after completing an impressive win over Mark Kratzman, of Australia, in a quarter-final match, Brown, from Warrington, returned to the centre court at the Northern Tennis Club but was defeated in his semi-final 6-4, 7-6, by Gillad Bloom, a member of the Israeli Davis Cup team.

Brown's consolation for a week of composed tennis will come in the form of a cheque for £6,700, the biggest pay-day of is career and a welcome elevation in the world rankings.

"Despite my disappointment this has been a good week for me and it has given me a real boost. At the moment I am living with friends in London, but the money will help me to buy a place of my own," he said.

Earlier in the day, Brown had made light of intermittent rain and wind to beat Kratzman 6-1, 6-3. On Thursday, Kratzman had eliminated Michael Chang, the tournament's third seed and biggest draw.

Kratzman's forlorn attempt to counter his opponent's unerringly accurate service and neat passing game was hindered, to a certain degree at least, by the recurrence of an injury to his left arm.

"It is an on going problem, one I have had for a couple of years. If the situation has not improved by the end of the year I shall have to think seriously about an operation. However, I am confident that I shall be fit enough to take my place at Wimbledon. To be honest, it was not a major factor in my defeat because Nick played exceptionally well," he said.

Bloom's opponent in today's final will be either Peter Sampras, the No. 2 seed from the United States, or Eric Jelen, of West Germany.

RESULTS: Quarter-finals: N Brown (GB) bt M Kratzmann (Aus), 6-1, 6-3; G Bloom (Isr) bt K Jones (US), 3-6, 7-6, 6-1; P Sampras (US) bt K Evernden (NZ), 6-3, 7-6. Semi-final: Bloom bt Brown, 6-4, 7-6.

## Noah finds the going tough

YANNICK Noah produced one of his finest performances on grass to reach the final of the Wirral international at West Kirby yesterday.

The Frenchman, who was born in the Cameroon, won two tie-breaks to complete a 7-6, 7-6 over Kevin Curren, of the United States. Noah, who is seeded No. 16 at Wimbledon, has had the ideal preparation for next week's tournament having been taken to three sets earlier in the tournament by the Swede, Peter Longren, and then pushed all the way in a quarter-final by David Wheaton, of United States.

Noah's semi-final with Curren went with serve throughout the first set and Noah eventually inched ahead with the help of just one service break in the tie breaker. The second set was no different and again Noah had to rely on just one break — in the tie break — before reaching match point and finally clinching his place in the final by breaking Curren again.

Noah's opponent in the final will be the Olympic champion, Miloslav Mecir, of Czechoslovakia. Mecir fought back from losing the first set of his semi-final 5-7 to Derrick Rostagno, of the Unied States, by taking the second 7-5.

Rostagno seemed to lose his touch and Mecir ran out a 6-3 victor in the final set.

ROEHAMPTON: Wimbledon qualifying tournament: Men: Singles: Third round: K Flach (US) bt C Costa (Sp), 6-3, 6-1, 7-5; V Ammayai (India) bt S Bodfield (GB), 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4; R Bathman (Swe) bt K Kinnear (US), 6-1, 6-4, 6-1; S Matsuoka (Japan) bt S Groen (Neth), 7-6, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; G Racaux (Fr) bt B Dyke (Aus), 6-3, 6-4, 6-2; L Herrera (Mex) bt B Drewett (Aus), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6; N Broad (SA) bt K Thorne (US), 7-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3; W Ferreira (SA) bt G Michibata (Can), 7-6, 6-3, 6-3; D Visser (SA) bt A Boetsch (Fr), 6-3, 6-2, 6-3; A Lesch (WG) bt T Woodbridge (Aus), 6-7, 6-2, 6-4, 7-6; R Kok (Neth) bt N Odizor (Nigeria), 6-4, 7-6, 4-6, 4-6, 8-6.

● John McEnroe yesterday pleaded with Wimbledon to put a glass dome over the famous centre court. McEnroe, said: "English fans are very understanding but they don't see the players at their best."

YACHTING

## SeaCat purring onward still on record schedule

By Malcolm McKeag

HOVERSPEED Great Britain, the first example of an innovative design of twin-hulled car and passenger ferry, looked last night to be still on schedule to break the 38-year-old record for an unrefuelled crossing of the Atlantic. She was close to the time set in 1986 by Richard Branson's off-shore racing powerboat, Virgin Atlantic II — provided her fuel reserves held out.

At 4pm yesterday, Hoverspeed had 690 miles to go to the Bishop Rock, off the Scillies, and was running sweetly at a steady 39 knots in moderate conditions, giving an estimated arrival of breakfast time this morning.

Concern over her fuel state began yesterday morning when the 230-foot catamaran was punching into Force Seven headwinds and awkward seas.

It forced her speed below the 35.6-knot average needed to beat the passenger ship record, which has been held since 1952 by the SS United States, and, even more alarmingly, meant she was consuming fuel at an unacceptable rate.

To make the 3,000-mile crossing without refuelling, Hoverspeed set off from New York on Tuesday carrying 200 tons of diesel oil — 10 times her normal load.

Diesels of 436,000 kilowatts power four giant waterjets to drive the SeaCat at her unusually high speeds and, had the headwinds continued, there was a possibility that one or more engines would have had to be shut down, thus ruining the record bid.

Unlike the smaller boats involved in other attempts to beat old records, but like the liners which established those records, Hoverspeed did not wait for a "weather window" before leaving New York. Instead, she left at a scheduled time, irrespective of the weather.

HOCKEY

## British fall behind in team rebuilding

From Sydney Friskin in Amsterdam

GREAT Britain will need to double their effort to lift themselves off the bottom of the table when they meet Spain today and Pakistan tomorrow in the BMW seven nations tournament here.

So far, individual performances have been encouraging but results disappointing, because new players have not yet acquired any sort of rhythm. The outcome has been four defeats by India, Australia, West Germany and the Netherlands.

As the teams seeking Olympic honours move from one tournament to another, scope has been provided for rebuilding. However, the six other participating teams in this tournament have made more progress than Britain. The Netherlands were able to discard six members of their World Cup-winning team at Lahore and still stay in contention.

India dropped eight players and arrived here with a team strong and skillful enough to beat Pakistan 4-2. Spain and West Germany have each dropped five players from their Lahore squads. Australia and Pakistan have each left three behind. Britain have come here without Kerly, Batchelor, Grimley, Clift and Rowlands, but have made little impression.

● India dropped a point yesterday in a 1-1 draw with Spain. Jagbir Singh scoring for India in the 58th minute and José Iglesias replying for Spain.

IN BRIEF

## Seat again for Bates

KEN Bates, the chairman of Chelsea, was yesterday re-elected to the Football League management committee as a first division representative after a two-year absence. He beat Ron Noades, his Crystal Palace counterpart, by nine votes to three and replaces Reg Burr, the chairman of Millwall, following that club's relegation to the second division.

## Chester blow

Chester City, who have sold their ground, have been banned by the Football League from sharing another ground next season after failing to provide £660,000 in bonds guaranteeing certain league requirements would be met.

## Hole-in-one

New York (Reuter) — Hale Irwin, the US Open golf champion, hit a round of 66, including a hole in one, to trail Kirk Triplett by one stroke after the first round of the Westchester classic.

## Surf washout

Britain has lost its only world-class surfing event after attempts to find a sponsor for the Surf Masters, due to be held at Fistral Beach, Newquay, failed.

## Kelly back

Zurich (AFP) — Sean Kelly, of Ireland, won the Tour of Switzerland cycling race that concluded here yesterday and said he was aiming for a place in the first three in the Tour de France which starts next Saturday.

## Moss crisis

Stirling Moss remained in third place in the Pirelli Classic Marathon yesterday, thanks to Paddy Hopkirk, the event leader, giving him his reserve can of petrol at a control point.

## Fourth place

Britain's six-man team took fourth place and 12 points in the 5,000 metres race on the opening day of the J & B Rare White Water Championships in Mezzana, Val di Sole, Italy. Yugoslavia lead with 25.

## Two through

Lucy Wordsworth (St Andrews) and William Fox-Pitt (London) went through to today's second round of the jumping phase of the World Universities Riding Championships in Rotterdam. The former champion, Reina Acuna, Costa Rica, incurred 42½ penalties on an uncooperative mount.

## World squash

Dubai (AP) — A squash world cup, sanctioned by the International Squash Players Association, will be held in Dubai from next January 28 to February 4.

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## Worcestershire's steam runs out

By Ivo Tennant

*WORCESTER (final day of three): Worcestershire (1pt) drew with Sussex (3)*

LEFT to make 291 in a minimum of 53 overs, which would amount to a stiff task in a limited-overs match, Worcestershire kept going until well into the last hour. This after falling progressively behind the asking rate in spite of the ebullience of Damian d'Oliveira, who made 79 off 85 balls, and Ian Botham, 50 from 44 balls.

Last year, the champions might well have kept up the impetus until the very end. This season, though, they have lost the habit of winning. In fact they almost lost the match, Salisbury taking five wickets in five overs, his best championship bowling on what was a spongy pitch. Those of d'Oliveira and Botham were among them.

From the start, Bent and Curtis were not up with an asking rate of slightly more than five an over. Bent lasted 15 overs for five before Bunting plucked out his leg-stump. His partner soon edged to second slip. The advent of Hick always brings a glimmer of hope and expectancy and his timing was, of course, wondrous.

Fours materialised from shots which were defensive pushes rather than cover drives. In this way, balls of good length from Pigott and Bunting were dealt with summarily. It was a surprise when, having made 28, he followed one from Pigott wide of off stump which did not appear to deviate.

There followed the best cricket of the match, with d'Oliveira partnered by Botham. The highest compliment that could be paid to d'Oliveira was that his timing, particularly when he drove off the front foot, was the more impressive. This in spite of one straight six by Botham off Colin Wells which was an effortless, almost lazy piece of timing.

Parker did not use Salisbury his leg spinner, until the 35th over, by when d'Oliveira had reached a half-century which included ten fours. Worcestershire were scoring their runs at around four an over now, and this was the time he had to be utilised, if at all. Not only did he restrict Botham, he had him held at deep mid-wicket. That was effectively the end of Worcestershire's challenge.

Earlier, each side had forfeited an innings after four Sussex batsmen had recorded half-centuries. Among them was Hall, whose highest championship score this was. He made 72, having begun on Wednesday morning and been interrupted countless times by rain.

## Middlesex batsmen benefit under benign influences

By Martin Searby

*OLD TRAFFORD (final day of three): Middlesex (18pts) beat Lancashire (2) by five wickets*

MIDDLESEX took advantage of a rare dry day, a generous declaration and ill-directed bowling to make up valuable ground on the championship leaders with some splendid strokeplay in successful pursuit of a target of 302 in a possible 73 overs.

Hughes, the Lancashire captain, was no doubt influenced by the hovering black clouds and it would have needed an extreme act of faith to believe that the rain which marred the first two days would not return.

In the event it was gale-force winds which blew the clouds away and handicapped the bowlers, who had the utmost difficulty in maintaining any sort of line. Patterson was woefully off target and Haynes, with beautifully timed strokes off his legs, and Roseberry, hooking two sixes, exacted a full toll, the West Indian's first eight overs costing 48 runs.

Afford, from the Warwick Road end, managed better control but the driving and running between the wickets was exemplary and two fours in succession by Haynes, through mid-wicket and cover, made the partnership worth 100 inside 17 overs.

In the same over Haynes slightly mistimed a drive off his toes to be held low at mid-wicket, but there was little relief for the increasingly harassed attack when Gatting unleashed an array of handsome drives off either foot. By tea Middlesex were coasting and required only 108 from the last 35 overs. But last-day chases have been their inevitable hiccup and when Roseberry went to hook Patterson he not only nicked a catch to slip but also trod on his wicket, having played with great enterprise and flair.

Ramprakash could not sustain the momentum and, trying to cut, gave Hegg, who was having a most unhappy day behind the stumps, a straightforward catch. Gatting, still seeking his first championship hundred of the season, fell in similar fashion when five runs short, after a virtuoso effort which contained a pulled six off Patterson and 11 boundaries from a mere 121 balls.

The rain Lancashire needed to put Middlesex under pressure and behind the asking rate now fell, but not heavily enough, and in spite of a third face-saving catch by Hegg it could not save them from their first defeat of the summer as Farbrace and Brown jockeyed their side home with just under 14 overs in hand.

In the morning Mendis completed the 35th century of his career (the first 23 being for Sussex) and surely one of his slowest, spanning 6¼ hours. So tardy was the progress that Roseberry and Ramprakash were called upon to force-feed 31 runs in three overs before the declaration.

## Lewis joins his county

CHRIS Lewis, the England twelfth man in the Lord's Test, is released to play for Leicestershire in the championship match against Gloucestershire at Gloucester today.

Northamptonshire recall former their captain, Geoff Cook, and David Ripley, the wicketkeeper, against Middlesex at Luton in place of Allan Lamb and Wayne Noon respectively. Norman Cowans returns for the visitors three weeks after straining stomach muscles.

Andy Lloyd, the Warwickshire captain, will return to the side in their NatWest Trophy tie against Hertfordshire on Wednesday. The batsman injured a hamstring three weeks ago.

● Andy Afford, the Nottinghamshire left-arm spinner, was awarded his county cap yesterday.

## Richards's demise closes the chase

By Jack Bailey

*BATH (final day of three): Somerset (4 pts) drew with Glamorgan (0)*

ANY chance that Glamorgan might make the runs required, after Tavaré's declaration of Somerset's first innings at 301 for three on the stroke of lunch, followed by two forfeitures of innings, were finally dashed when Richards had his wicket disturbed by Swallow. This event left Glamorgan with four wickets down and 190 runs still to make at nearly nine an over. Not surprisingly, down went the Glamorgan shutters and a draw became inevitable.

It is doubtful whether even Richards at full tilt could have won this match for Glamorgan, even though he had just done the trick, against the odds, at both Northampton and Southampton. A target of 302 from 65 overs had been a stiff but reasonable proposition, but a downpour in early afternoon removed 14 precious overs from the equation.

Undaunted, Richards set about his nearly impossible task, as had Butcher and Maynard before him. Swallow had gone for one straight six, then another over long on. The crowd was abuzz. Swallow has the makings of a good bowler, especially when he trusts himself from round the wicket. Immediately, he tossed up an invitingly looped ball of full length. Richards fell for it, missed, and was on his way, leaving Butcher and Croft to see out the day.

Anyone listening to the BBC cricket round-up at lunchtime yesterday as the presenter lamented Rose's failure to achieve a maiden century could be forgiven for gaining the wrong impression. Rose was scarcely robbed. On the contrary: he had gorged himself on all kinds of goodies served up by Butcher, Morris and Maynard during the statutory farcical interlude on such occasions as this, when the need is seen to make obvious presents so that the right declaration is forthcoming. In fact, Rose deliberately avoided getting to three figures.

Rose may well soon score a century to be proud of, but he will have made scores of 20 or so with which he is better pleased than this undefeated 97.

● The Worcestershire opening batsman, Martin Weston, has postponed a knee operation to be available for next month's Benson & Hedges Cup final against Lancashire at Lord's. Weston has had a third cortisone injection to ease a knee problem which has troubled him since the start of last season.

## Zimbabwe in show of strength

From Richard Streeton in the Hague

ZIMBABWE completed a crushing win against Bangladesh by 84 runs yesterday to qualify to meet the Netherlands in the ICC Trophy final here today.

Rain prevented a resumption in the disrupted semi-final match until mid-afternoon and Zimbabwe needed another 80 minutes in blustery weather to take the last five Bangladesh wickets. David Houghton, their captain, won the man-of-the-match award for his 91 on Thursday.

Bangladesh, seeking 232 to win, required a further 120 from 25.2 overs and were never in the hunt. Nannu, who was fighting influenza, and the left-hander, Hoque Moni, extended their defiant sixth-wicket stand to 83 in 28 overs. They were unable to score fast enough, however, before they were out in successive overs.

Today's final is a repetition of the 1986 final at Lord's when Zimbabwe retained the trophy and they start narrow favourites. Among the teams' assets are a potentially destructive strokemaker at No. 4, the Barbados-born Nolan Clarke, for the Dutch, and Houghton for Zimbabwe.

The Netherlands will be looking for telling thrusts from Bakker and Lefebvre, their two quick bowlers in English county cricket. There does seem, however, to be a greater depth in the experienced Zimbabwe batting, more variety in their bowling and they could prove to be the better fielding side.

The Netherlands would win the trophy with a superior average runrate throughout the tournament should it prove impossible to complete the final.

## YESTERDAY'S COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP AND OTHER SCOREBOARDS

### Britannic Assurance county championship

### Lancs v Middlesex

*OLD TRAFFORD (final day of three): Middlesex (18pts) beat Lancashire (2) by five wickets*

LANCASHIRE: First Innings
G Fowler b Williams ... 24
*G D Mendis b Emburey ... 114*
G D Lloyd c Emburey b Fraser ... 21
T E Jesty c Emburey b Tufnell ... 5
M Watkinson c Roseberry b Tufnell ... 37
†W K Hegg c Haynes b Tufnell ... 14
I D Austin not out ... 45
J D Fitton not out ... 13
Extras (b 3, lb 5, nb 20) ... 27
Total (6 wkts dec) ... 301
Score at 100 overs: 224 for 5
*D P Hughes, P J W Allott and B P Patterson did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-41, 2-77, 3-104, 4-102, 5-219, 6-292.
BOWLING: Williams 15-4-53-1; Fraser 24-5-52-1; Hughes 13-4-32-0; Tufnell 44-12-90-3; Emburey 18-4-35-1; Ramprakash 2-0-17-0; Roseberry 1-0-14-0.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings
D L Haynes c Mendis b Watkinson ... 49
M A Roseberry hit wicket b Patterson ... 79
*M W Gatting c Hegg b Watkinson ... 95
M R Ramprakash c Hegg b Watkinson ... 8
K R Brown not out ... 21
J E Emburey c Hegg b Watkinson ... 6
†P Farbrace not out ... 17
Extras (b 8, lb 11, nb 9) ... 28
Total (5 wkts) ... 303
P C R Tufnell, N F Williams, S P Hughes and A R C Fraser did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-100, 2-216, 3-255, 4-256, 5-282.
BOWLING: Patterson 13-0-74-1; Allott 7-0-32-0; Austin 13.1-1-58-0; Watkinson 13-0-61-4; Fitton 8-0-35-0; Hughes 5-0-24-0.
Umpires: H D Bird and P J Eele.

### Yorks v Warwicks

*SHEFFIELD (final day of three): Yorkshire (20pts) beat Warwickshire (4) by two wickets*

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 231 (D P Ostler 61; P J Hartley 5 for 57)
Second Innings
A J Moles not out ... 60
J D Ratcliffe run out ... 16
Asif Din lbw b Jarvis ... 0
G W Humpage b Jarvis ... 12
*D A Reeve not out ... 42
Extras (lb 2, w 1, nb 1) ... 4
Total (3 wkts dec) ... 134
R J Twose, D P Ostler, †K J Piper, A A Donald, J E Benjamin and T A Munton did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-38, 3-52.
BOWLING: Jarvis 8-0-43-2; Hartley 6-1-21-0; Pickles 9 3-0-34-0; Gough 8-0-34-0.
YORKSHIRE: First Innings 123 for 5 dec (A A Metcalfe 53; Bowling: Donald 12-3-30-1; Benjamin 16-4-37-1; Munton 18.3-6-34-2; Twose 4-0-9-0; Asif Din 3-1-5-1).
Second Innings
*M D Moxon c Piper b Benjamin ... 46
A A Metcalfe c Moles b Benjamin ... 45
S A Kellett not out ... 76
K Sharp c Humpage b Munton ... 8
†R J Blakey c Piper b Munton ... 8
P E Robinson c Humpage b Benjamin ... 26
P J Hartley b Donald ... 13
P Carrick run out ... 3
C S Pickles b Benjamin ... 1
P W Jarvis not out ... 7
Extras (b 3, lb 5, nb 1) ... 9
Total (8 wkts) ... 243
D Gough did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-135, 3-148, 4-161, 5-192, 6-219, 7-234, 8-235.
BOWLING: Donald 13-0-65-1; Benjamin 20 4-2-83-5; Munton 15-1-63-1; Reeve 6-0-24-0.
Umpires: B Leadbeater and D O Oslear.

### Worcs v Sussex

*WORCESTER (final day of three): Worcestershire (1pt) drew with Sussex (3)*

SUSSEX: First Innings
N J Lenham b Illingworth ... 66
J W Hall lbw b Botham ... 72
*P W G Parker c Hick b Botham ... 14
A P Wells not out ... 59
M P Speight not out ... 60
Extras (lb 8, w 2, nb 9) ... 19
Total (3 wkts dec, 86 overs) ... 290
C M Wells, A I C Dodemaide, A C S Pigott, †P Moores, R A Bunting and I D K Salisbury did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-126, 2-155, 3-163.
BOWLING: Newport 22-3-54-0; McEwan 6-2-12-0; Lampitt 14-2-55-0, Botham 15-4-32-2, Illingworth 23-6-82-1, Hick 6-0-37-0.
Second Innings forfeited
WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings forfeited
Second Innings
T S Curtis c Parker b Bunting ... 27
P Bent b Bunting ... 5
G A Hick c Moores b Pigott ... 28
D B D'Oliveira st Moores b Salisbury ... 79
I T Botham c A P Wells b Salisbury ... 50
*P A Neale c Pigott b Salisbury ... 8
P J Newport st Moores b Salisbury ... 2
†S J Rhodes not out ... 9
S R Lampitt c and b Salisbury ... 3
R K Illingworth not out ... 0
Extras (lb 6, w 1, nb 1) ... 8
Total (8 wkts) ... 219
S M McEwan did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-43, 3-71, 4-193, 5-197, 6-207, 7-210.
BOWLING: Dodemaide 14 5-6-32-0; Pigott 15-2-68-1, Bunting 10-2-40-2, C M Wells 5-0-41-0, Salisbury 10-2-32-5.
Umpires: D J Constant and J W Holder.

### No play yesterday

GLOUCESTER: Gloucestershire v Hampshire. Gloucestershire 54 for 2 (Bowling: Marshall 6-0-20-1; Connor 6-1-19-1; Tremlett 4 1-0-9-0; Shine 3-1-4-0; Maru 1-1-0-0). Match drawn. Bonus points: Gloucestershire 0, Hampshire 0.

### Britannic Assurance championship table

| | P | W | L | D | Bt | Bl | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Warwicks (8) | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 24 | 108 |
| Middlesex (3) | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 23 | 16 | 103 |
| Lancashire (4) | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 23 | 21 | 92 |
| Hampshire (7) | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 28 | 16 | 92 |
| Derbyshire (6) | 9 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 27 | 18 | 90 |
| Notts (11) | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 20 | 22 | 90 |
| Glamorgan (17) | 9 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 22 | 88 |
| Leics (13) | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 25 | 17 | 74 |
| Somerset (14) | 10 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 31 | 20 | 67 |
| Northants (5) | 7 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 20 | 26 | 62 |
| Kent (15) | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 7 | 59 |
| Essex (2) | 8 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 30 | 9 | 55 |
| Yorkshire (16) | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 15 | 21 | 52 |
| Worcs (1) | 7 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 14 | 49 |
| Surrey (12) | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 18 | 22 | 48 |
| Sussex (10) | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 13 | 47 |
| Gloucs (9) | 8 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 18 | 16 | 34 |

(1989 positions in brackets)

### Notts v Surrey

*TRENT BRIDGE (final day of three): Nottinghamshire (1pt) drew with Surrey (8)*

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings 100 (M P Bicknell 5 for 34).
Second Innings
B C Broad b Medlycott ... 30
D J R Martindale b Medlycott ... 33
*R T Robinson lbw b Medlycott ... 72
P Johnson b Medlycott ... 16
D W Randall c Ward b Bicknell ... 26
F D Stephenson c and b Medlycott ... 2
†B N French not out ... 14
M G Field-Buss c Aitken b Medlycott ... 0
K E Cooper lbw b Bicknell ... 1
K Saxelby lbw b Medlycott ... 8
J A Afford lbw b Bicknell ... 0
Extras (b 25, lb 14, w 3) ... 43
Total ... 307
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-76, 2-77, 3-218, 4-253, 5-269, 6-297, 7-292, 8-293, 9-306.
BOWLING: Younis 22-3-86-0; Bicknell 19.3-6-46-3; Murphy 9-2-34-0; Medlycott 33-4-92-7; Greig 1-0-9-0.
SURREY: First Innings 303 for 3 dec (D M Ward 154 not out, R T Aitken 88. Bowling: Stephenson 27.5-7-68-2; Cooper 25-8-[illegible]-0; Saxelby 14-5-42-0; Afford 22-3-84-1; Field-Buss 10-2-43-0).
Umpires: J C Balderstone and J H Hampshire.

### Somerset v Glam

*BATH (final day of three): Somerset (4pts) drew with Glamorgan (1)*

SOMERSET: First Innings
S J Cook c Metson b Watkin ... 51
J J E Hardy lbw b Basten ... 10
A N Hayhurst c Butcher b Watkin ... 48
†N D Burns not out ... 71
G D Rose not out ... 97
Extras (lb 7, w 2, nb 5) ... 14
Total (3 wkts dec, 83 overs) ... 301
*C J Tavaré, R J Harden, I G Swallow, N A Mallender, H R J Trump and A N Jones did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-108, 3-141.
BOWLING: Watkin 26-9-53-2; Basten 25-9-64-1; Dennis 8-1-20-0; Cowley 1-0-4-0; Croft 4-1-12-0; Holmes 4-0-27-0; Morris 3-0-41-0; Butcher 7-0-45-0; Maynard 5-0-28-0.
Second Innings forfeited.
GLAMORGAN: First Innings forfeited
Second Innings
*A R Butcher not out ... 83
H Morris c Harden b Jones ... 2
G C Holmes lbw b Mallender ... 1
M P Maynard c harden b Swallow ... 33
I V A Richards b Swallow ... 21
R D B Croft not out ... 17
Extras (lb 2, nb 6) ... 8
Total (4 wkts) ... 165
N G Cowley, †C P Metson, S J Dennis, S L Watkin and S Bastien did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-27, 3-87, 4-113.
BOWLING: Jones 7-3-15-1; Mallender 9-1-27-1; Swallow 19-3-63-2; Rose 9-0-35-0; Trump 4-2-11-0; Harden 3-0-12-0.
Umpires R Julian and N T Plews.

### Leics v Derbyshire

*LEICESTER (final day of three): Leicestershire (20pts) beat Derbyshire by 140 runs*

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings 320 for 6 dec (J J Whitaker 116, W K M Benjamin 101 not out).
Second Innings
T J Boon not out ... 5
*N E Briers not out ... 14
Extras (nb 1) ... 1
Total (no wkt dec) ... 20
J J Whitaker, P Willey, L Potter, J D R Benson, W K M Benjamin, †P A Nixon, J P Agnew, A D Mullally and L B Taylor did not bat.
BOWLING: Bowler 2-0-8-0; Adams 1.3-0-12-0.
DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 70 for no wicket dec. (Bowling: Benjamin 4-0-17-0; Agnew 4-0-25-0; Taylor 4-0-18-0; Mullally 4-2-10-0; Willey 2-2-0-0).
Second Innings
*K J Barnett c Potter b Benjamin ... 0
P D Bowler c Potter b Agnew ... 0
J E Morris not out ... 63
B Roberts c Nixon b Agnew ... 1
A P Kuiper c and b Agnew ... 3
C J Adams c Nixon b Mullally ... 5
S C Goldsmith lbw b Mullally ... 8
†K M Krikken b Willey ... 30
G Miller c Nixon b Benjamin ... 1
M Jean-Jacques lbw b Benjamin ... 4
A E Warner c Whitaker b Willey ... 2
Extras (b 2, lb 9, nb 2) ... 13
Total ... 130
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-0, 3-2, 4-12, 5-29, 6-43, 7-110, 8-113, 9-117.
BOWLING: Benjamin 16-5-35-3; Agnew 9-2-33-3; Mullally 12-3-28-2; Willey 8-4-7-2; Taylor 5-1-15-0.
Umpires: K E Palmer and B Hassan.

### Cambridge U v Kent

*FENNER'S (final day of three): Kent beat Cambridge University by 92 runs*

KENT: First Innings 329 for 3 dec (N R Taylor 120, C S Cowdrey 102 not out).
Second Innings forfeited.
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings 57 for 2 dec. (Bowling: Merrick 7-5-7-0; Igglesden 6-2-12-1; Fleming 5.3-1-13-1; Ellison 5-0-20-0).
Second Innings
S P James b Merrick ... 57
R Heap b Davis ... 17
†R J Turner c and b Merrick ... 35
*J C M Atkinson b Merrick ... 0
M J Lowrey b Davis ... 4
M J Morris b Davis ... 24
G M Hutchinson c and b Davis ... 2
R A Pyman c G R Cowdrey b Davis ... 0
D H Shufflebotham c Marsh b Igglesden ... 18
R H J Jenkins c Llong b Davis ... 1
A J Buzza not out ... 1
Extras (b 12, lb 8, w 1, nb 2) ... 23
Total ... 180
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-122, 3-122, 4-125, 5-129, 6-137, 7-141, 8-172, 9-175.
BOWLING: Merrick 10-6-13-3; Igglesden 14-3-45-1, Davis 28.1-15-40-6, Ellison 24-3-24-0; Llong 7-1-24-0; Fleming 9-5-14-0.
Umpires: G I Burgess and B J Meyer.

### ICC Trophy semi-final

### Bangladesh v Zimb

*THE HAGUE (Bangladesh won toss): Zimbabwe beat Bangladesh by 84 runs*

ZIMBABWE
G W Flower c Chowdhury b Nowsher ... 7
A H Shah c F Ahmed b Nowsher ... 5
†A Flower run out ... 1
*D L Houghton c Nannu b Chowdhury ... 91
G A Paterson c Hoque Moni b Nowsher ... 4
K J Arnott c Abedin b Hoque Moni ... 29
G A Brant st N Ahmed b Hoque Moni ... 0
E A Brandes not out ... 66
A J Traicos not out ... 1
Extras (lb 7, w 10, nb 10) ... 27
Total (7 wkts, 60 overs) ... 231
K G Duers and M P Jarvis did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-21, 3-23, 4-37, 5-134, 6-135, 7-196.
BOWLING: Nowsher 12-2-47-3; M J Alam 12-0-42-0; Chowdhury 10-0-51-1; M A Hossain 12-1-37-0; Hoque Moni 12-1-35-2; Nannu 2-0-12-0.

BANGLADESH
M A Hossain c and b Jarvis ... 9
N Abedin c Jarvis b Duers ... 9
*G A Hossen b Duers ... 4
F Ahmed c Houghton b Duers ... 6
M Akram Khan c A Flower b Duers ... 6
M A Nannu c and b Jarvis ... 57
M E Hoque Moni run out ... 28
G F Chowdhury c A Flower b Jarvis ... 2
M J Alam b Traicos ... 5
†N Ahmed not out ... 3
G M Nowsher c Jarvis b Brandes ... 0
Extras (lb 8, w 8, nb 2) ... 18
Total (53 1 overs) ... 147
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-23, 3-31, 4-32, 5-45, 6-128, 7-137, 8-137, 9-147.
BOWLING: Jarvis 9-2-22-3; Duers 12-2-25-4; Traicos 12-2-32-1; Brandes 8.1-1-36-1; Shah 12-2-24-0.
Umpires: A Sarkar (Kenya) and W Molenaar (The Netherlands).

## Yorkshire run ended by Jarvis

By Geoffrey Wheeler

YORKSHIRE'S depressing run of 16 championship games without a win, stretching back to last July, was brought to an end in thrilling fashion at Sheffield yesterday when they beat Warwickshire, the championship leaders, by two wickets as Paul Jarvis hit the fourth ball of the final over for six.

Warwickshire, who had set a tempting target of 243 in 55 overs, might well have pulled off a victory on their own account but for the uncapped Simon Kellett, who nursed Yorkshire towards their target with an unbeaten 75, the best score of his career.

On a day of declarations, forfeitures and play between the showers, nowhere was lost time made up more dramatically than at Grace Road, where Leicestershire, having dismissed the first five Derbyshire batsmen for 29, won by 140 runs with only 12 balls to spare.

A disciplined return to batting's rudiments by Nottinghamshire's batsmen prevented Surrey claiming a first championship victory of the season at Trent Bridge, though Keith Medlycott's seven for 92 in 33 overs was a worthy attempt to force the issue after Nottinghamshire had begun the day needing 203 to avoid an innings defeat.

Cambridge University had their hopes of a rare victory raised by a partnership of 95 for the second wicket between Stephen James and Robert Turner as they pursued 273 against Kent. But the left-arm spinner, Richard Davis, proved too much for the later batsmen, improving his career-best figures for the second time this season with a return of six for 40.

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Mexico City lies in wait to examine the extremes of both mechanical and physical endurance

# McLaren in search of treble success

By JOHN BLUNSDEN

IN ONE sense, everyone is riding high for the Mexican Grand Prix this weekend. They have no option because the Autodromo Hermanos Rodriguez, named after the two motor racing brothers, Pedro and Ricardo, lies some 7,000 feet above sea level on the outskirts of Mexico City.

But the thin air at that height always poses a problem for teams, not only because their engines are rendered breathless by the altitude but also because the frenzied activity synonymous with any Formula One paddock and pit area takes a considerable human toll.

Few people, even among those who escape the dreaded local intestinal disorder euphemistically known as "Montezuma's Revenge", find it easy to perform at their best at this venue, which is why a good result tomorrow afternoon will be more that usually satisfying.

Every circuit poses its problems and, in this case, the most significant one is its unpredictability, especially its response to tyres. In recognition of this, Goodyear, who normally offer their teams a choice of two compounds for dry conditions, have added a third for this race, while Pirelli are offering their drivers two types of qualifying tyre.

The circuit is tough on drivers, too. Parts of it, despite some resurfacing, remain sufficiently bumpy to give them a considerable battering, but the biggest challenge is to be consistently competitive through the final corner before the pits straight.

Perhaps corner is a misleading word because it is a 180-degree slightly banked curve from which the quickest cars emerge at close to 200mph.

It would be formidable enough if it was smoothly surfaced but there is a notorious bump at one point which, if not taken with great precision, can throw a car disastrously off line. Even the best drivers feel a sense of relief every time they get it right and, in the race, they will have to do so 69 times.

McLaren have won this race for the past two years — Alain Prost in 1988 and Ayrton Senna last year — and the completion of the treble seems the most likely outcome tomorrow.

Senna, the championship leader, is once again the firm favourite although he may be pressed hard by his team partner, Gerhard Berger — a surprise winner for Benetton in 1986 — now that his lanky frame sits more comfortably in the recently modified cockpit of his McLaren.

Like Prost, Nigel Mansell will be disappointed if the reliability which Ferrari demonstrated in the last race in Canada is not continued this weekend, though whether they will be able to match the McLaren pace in race trim is another matter.

If they can, a fine battle is in prospect, with the possibility of the Italian team scoring a victory which has eluded them since the race's revival five years ago, and 16 years after their only win with Jacky Ickx in 1970.

The Williams-Renaults of Riccardo Patrese and Thierry Boutsen will pose a threat, if their cars can be satisfactorily tailored to the circuit's handling demands, while the Benetton-Fords, which showed up so well in Canada, should enable Nelson Piquet and Alessandro Mannini to demonstrate that those who wrote off the V8 as a viable Formula One engine configuration may have been a little premature.

It is also difficult to leave out Jean Alesi in any pre-race assessment, especially as his Tyrrell-Ford is considerably quicker than last year's car which Michele Alboreto drove into third place, briefly elating the team. Derek Warwick and Martin Donnelly can also be relied upon to extract the utmost from their Lotus-Lamborghinis.

In the end, though, tyres and pit stops may well be the decider.

CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS: Drivers: 1, A Senna (Br), 31pts; 2, G Berger (Austria), 19; 3, A Prost (Fr), 14; 4, J Alesi (Fr), 13; 5, N Piquet (Br), 12; equal 6, R Patrese (It) and T Boutsen (Bel), 8; 8, N Mansell (GB), 7; 9, A Nannini (It), 4; equal 10, S Modena (It) and A Caffi (It), 2; equal 12, S Nakajima (Japan), E Bernard (Fr) and D Warwick (GB), 1. Constructors: 1, McLaren-Honda, 50pts; 2, Ferrari, 21; 3, Williams-Renault, 18; 4, Benetton-Ford, 16; 5, Tyrrell-Ford, 14; equal 6, Brabham-Judd and Arrows-Ford, 2; equal 8, Espo-Larrousse and Lotus, 1.


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1. In which race did Ayrton Senna score his first grand prix win?
2. When did Silverstone stage its first British Grand Prix?
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4. How many grands prix has Nigel Mansell won?
5. Senna set a record of eight grand prix wins in 1988; whose record did he beat?

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ROWING

## Popularity creates problems

By MIKE ROSEWELL
ROWING CORRESPONDENT

MARLOW Regatta and Henley Women's Regatta, which are being held today, have both attracted entries of a size to warrant over 11 hours of racing.

Marlow, the traditional curtain-raiser to Henley Royal Regatta, is now beginning to suffer the same problems of popularity. Tony Evans, the secretary, has had difficulty in allocating sufficient enclosure badges to satisfy demand.

The total entry of 192 at Marlow features many crews who will compete at Henley, including nine American combinations who are already in this country.

Dartmouth and Yale are both in the Senior I Eights along with Westminster School — a leading contender, with Eton, for the Princess Elizabeth Cup at Henley.

Remarkably, the entry for Henley Women's Regatta exceeds that of Marlow and, at 198 crews and scullers, shows an increase of 85 per cent since its inception in 1988.

CYCLING

## Holden leads five-man team

By PETER BRYAN

BANANA-Falcon, the individual and team winners in the recent Milk Race, begin tomorrow's BP Exploration national professional road race championship with a team weakened by the absence of Shane Sutton, the squad captain.

Sutton, from Australia, who won the Milk Race, is not eligible to compete in the 135-mile title race at Withnersea on Humberside, reducing the team to five riders.It will, however, include the Milk Race runner-up, Rob Holden.

Tony Doyle's Ever Ready team, on the other hand, will be "over-strength", because the limit of six riders in a squad does not apply to the championship and all their eight riders under contract compete.

Joey McLoughlin, a former Milk Race and Tour of Britain winner, is Ever Ready's obvious choice for the title, although he insists that the outcome is unpredictable.

Paul Curran, now unsponsored following the break up of Crown-Chafes, does not dismiss the chances of solo riders breaking the hold of Banana and Ever Ready.

Tomorrow, which is set aside throughout Europe for each country's professional titles, will give Britain's foreign-based riders a taste of domestic competition.

Colin Sturgess, the world pursuit champion, and his team colleague, Cayn Theakston, leave their Belgian HQ for Withnersea; the leading sprint finisher, Malcolm Elliott, is back from Spain

### Thomson in charge

SYDNEY (AP) — Eddie Thomson, a former club player, has been appointed coach of the Australian national football team.

MOTOR SPORT

## Few worries for Comas and DAMS

From STEPHEN SLATER IN MONZA, ITALY

THE fifth round of the International Formula 3000 championship here this weekend has imposed a rigorous schedule on the teams competing. Coming just a week after the previous race at Jerez, in southern Spain, the transporters have been forced to make a long drive across southern Europe to Milan with almost no time to repair damage and prepare their cars.

The team with perhaps the least worries on arrival here are the French DAMS. Eric Comas, driving one of their Lola-Mugen cars, took his second victory of the season at Jerez and it seems likely that he would have been followed closely by Allan McNish, his colleague, had the Scotsman, aged 21, not been delayed by a puncture and a broken wheel.

A close second at Jerez was Marco Apicella, the Italian who is driving for the Milanese First Racing team. Apicella has made it clear that he is hoping for a home win this weekend.

In the Willhire 24-hour race at Snetterton, in Norfolk, this weekend, 26 production saloon cars will be driven from 4pm today until 4pm tomorrow.

RUGBY LEAGUE

## Britain bemused by match venue

From KEITH MACKLIN IN PALMERSTON NORTH

TWO local league officials gave a low-key welcome to the tattered remnants of the Great Britain squad yesterday as they flew south from Auckland to this small university town for the first British Coal international tomorrow.

But the warmth of the welcome did not stop the touring team from wondering why the first international of an important series will be played here and not at a leading rugby league centre like Auckland or Christchurch.

The reason is that the match is being used as a propaganda and missionary vehicle by the New Zealand Rugby League, and yet the inevitable result will be only to worsen the tour debt at the turnstiles.

It is unlikely that the attendance will reach 5,000 tomorrow, though it might just do so if the weather is fine, whereas a first international of a series at Auckland could bring three or four times that number.

Malcolm Reilly, the Great Britain coach, has told his players to put aside such matters and leave them to the management.

Their job is to prove the critics wrong when they say that the squad, which has lost virtually a full international team through injuries and other withdrawals, is in no position to compete against a full-strength New Zealand side.

Great Britain are capable of winning against the odds but the result may hinge entirely on the scrum half duel between Gary Freeman, of New Zealand, and Bobby Goulding, the Great Britain teenager.

As Mike Gregory, the captain, said: "We can win if we stop Freeman."

NEW ZEALAND: D Williams (Manly-Warringah); T Iro (Manly-Warringah), K Iro (Wigan), T Kemp (Newcastle), S Panapa (Auckland); D Clark (Auckland), G Freeman (Balmain); P Brown (Auckland), D Mann (Warrington), B Todd (Canberra), T Wilcox (Auckland), M Horo (Parramatta), H McGahan (Eastern Suburbs). Replacements (from): M Edwards (Wellington), D Lonergan (Glenora), G Mann (Auckland), B Nixon (Auckland).

GREAT BRITAIN: C Ellis (Featherstone Rovers); J Davies (Widnes), J Lydon (Wigan), C Gibson (Leeds), M Offiah (Widnes); G Schofield (Leeds), B Goulding (Wigan); K Skerrett (Bradford Northern), M Dermott (Wigan), K England (Castleford), D Betts (Wigan), P Dixon (Leeds), M Gregory (Warrington). Replacements (from): D Fox (Featherstone Rovers), D Powell (Sheffield Eagles), I Lucas (Wigan), R Powell (Leeds).

Referee: D Manson (Australia).

BOWLS

## Kenton to skip Surrey

SURREY have reconstituted one of their rinks for the NatWest Bank Middleton Cup meeting with Kent, the holders, at Croydon today, a match that could decide the section winners.

John Kenton comes in at skip and John Dobson at No. 3, with Lee Dickson and Ray Ottley forming the front end. The newcomer, Jamie Williams, the national under-18 singles champion, leads for Paul Vamvacopoulos.

### Williams returns

PAUL Williams, the Neath stand-off half, has rejoined Newbridge, the club where he began his rugby union career five years ago. Williams scored 282 points for Neath, the Welsh club champions, last season.

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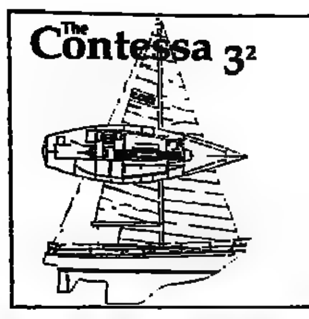

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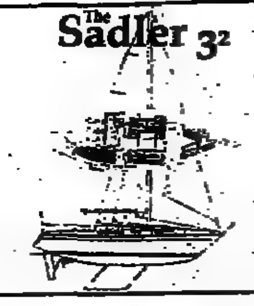

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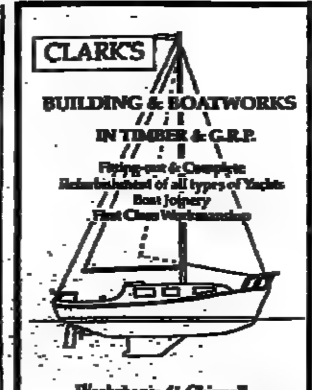

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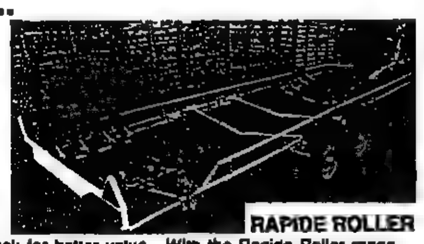

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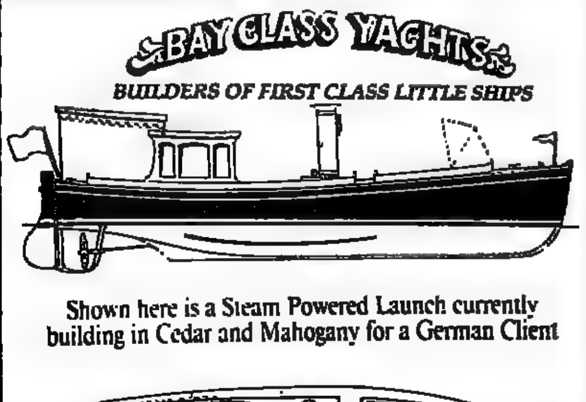

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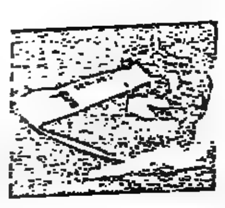

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Luxury yacht owners are finding lucrative work for their vessels in the growing corporate entertainment market, **Barry Pickthall** writes

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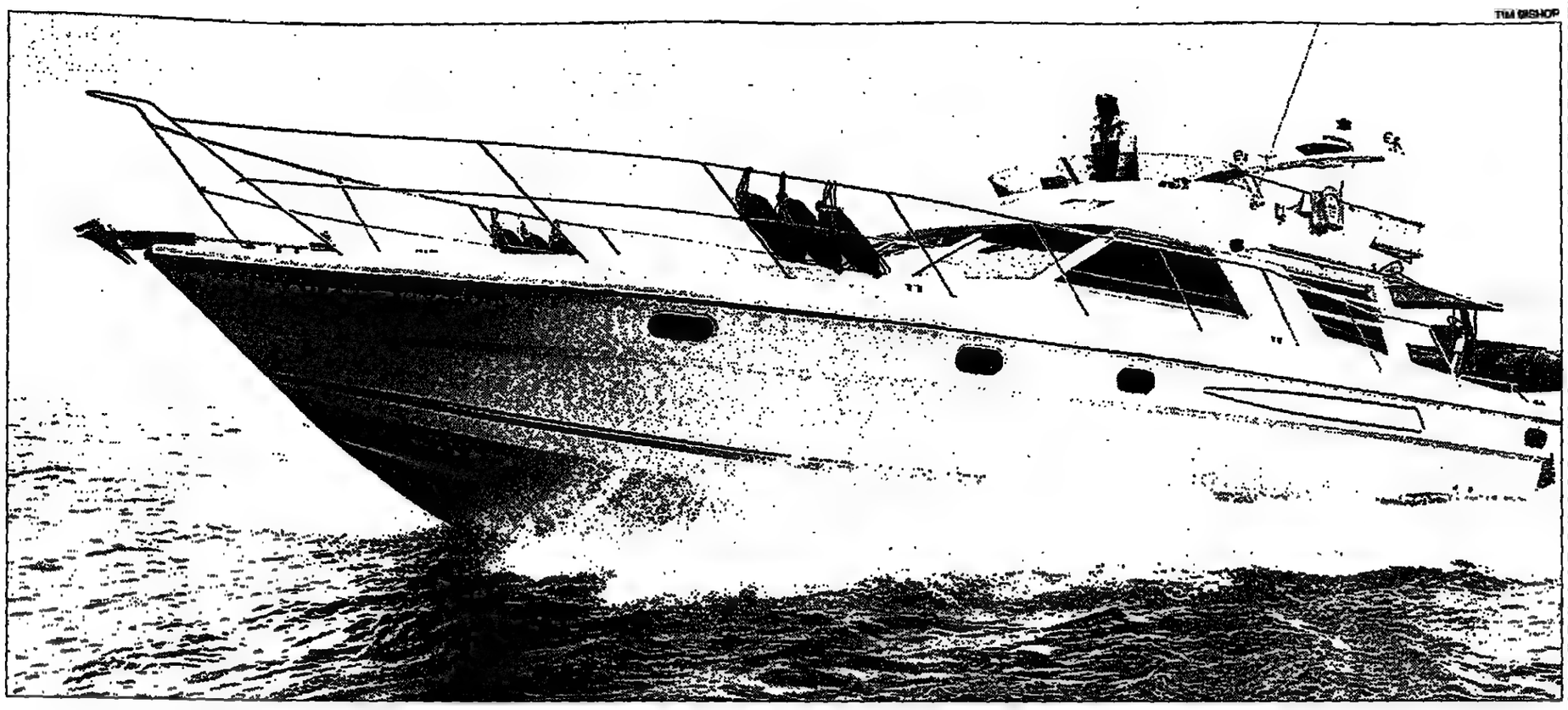

**Dream boat: Lord Selsdon at the helm of the £300,000 White Eagle, which he plans to hire as a floating boardroom. 'It's a sin to leave a boat on a mooring. They have to be in constant use,' he says**

# Nautical tack with a business twist

Owning a boat is a dream most people share, but when prices are pitched at the same level as a Mayfair *pied-à-terre*, bricks and mortar often have to take preference. Lord Selsdon, a director of the Midland Bank, has discovered a compromise to owning both: treat the boat as a corporate asset and charge it out as a business expense.

He owns two yachts, the Swan 44 sailing cruiser Scottish Hero, which is used as a charter yacht in the Agean, and his latest, a Fairline 50, the flagship to a range of luxury sports cruisers built by Britain's only quoted production builders, Fairline Boats at Oundle, in Northants.

Lord Selsdon has several interests in the City, including developments in London Docklands and the latest Conrad Hotel at Chelsea Harbour. "It's a sin to leave a boat on a mooring. They have to be in constant use," he says.

"A yacht has to be a legitimate part of the business and earn money accordingly. The market for corporate entertaining is expanding. This includes the demand for mobile conference rooms and floating grandstands at sporting events, such as Cowes Week where the going rate is up to £1,200 a day for a boat like this."

Lord Selsdon bought White Eagle — the name his father used to wrestle under in charity bouts on the Isle of Dogs — a year ago as an added attraction for guests at his £125 a night hotel. Since then, Fairline Boats has accepted orders for more than a hundred of these £300,000 luxury craft.

"This was my first powerboat. It had to be British, it had to be large enough to hold parties for up to 25 and it had to represent good value," he says. "The Fairline is two-thirds the price of some Italian marques and is holding its value well. If I had to sell it now, we would get back what we paid for it."

With a range of up to 300 miles and a cruising speed of 25 knots, White Eagle can leave her berth on the Thames in the morning and be at Cowes or cruising up the Seine before nightfall.

Alternatively, the warmer waters of the Mediterranean are a three-day cruise away. The boat comes with a variety of labour-saving devices, including a bow-thruster to assist with manoeuvring, an electric anchor winch and auto-pilot, and radar and radio telephone. Below decks there is a dishwasher, laundry facilities, a microwave oven and air-conditioning.

Buyers of a Fairline 50 can choose between five interior layout options. All include a luxurious owner's stateroom in the bows with a double bed and *ensuite* shower and toilet. Aft, there is a second "heads" to starboard along with the main guest cabin and the option of a second double cabin on the opposite side (with or without *ensuite* toilet facilities) or an L-shaped dinette to enlarge the airy and well-equipped galley.

One of the main attractions for Lord Selsdon was the yacht's sumptious saloon. Ten people can be seated with ease. With side-screens zipped round to enclose the aft cockpit, sliding glass doors dividing the two can be opened up to double the entertaining area.

"We can have parties for up to 25 guests," Lord Selsdon says. He chose an open-plan layout, sacrificing one guest cabin for extra entertaining space and providing a separate two-berth cabin for crew or children under the cockpit floor in the stern.

"It's a mistake to have too many berths. Areas for entertaining are far more valuable," he says. The boat is equipped with two steering positions. One, on the large flybridge, seats six people and has duplicate controls in the main cabin for use during bad weather.

Power steering provides finger-tip control making the boat remarkably responsive for her size. 'If you can drive a car, you can drive this boat once you have mastered how to manoeuvre her using the twin throttles. Most people we've had on board have learnt the ropes within a day."

Lord Selsdon has some novel corporate plans for White Eagle. Apart from chartering the boat out for dockside parties in Chelsea Harbour, as a filming platform or for corporate entertaining on the Thames and Cowes, he believes the yacht has a future as a floating boardroom.

"I've installed a full communications system that includes a telephone, computer and fax machine. Directors can step on board in central London and hold their meeting in total security. In the case of offshore companies, we merely have to whisk them into international waters 12 miles out in the Thames estuary."

According to Lord Selson, the key to owning a luxury powerboat is to keep the boat working. That way everyone remains happy — including the taxman.

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# Laughter over the sea lanes

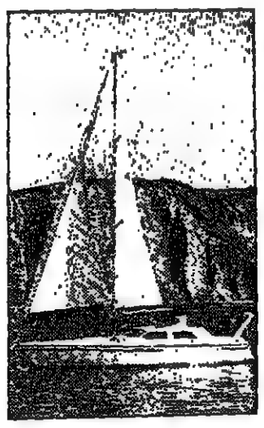
● A week after Tracy Edwards was awarded an MBE in the Birthday Honours list for her efforts in the Whitbread Round The World yacht race, TVS is screening an hour-long documentary on the ITV network tomorrow at 2.45pm. The struggles, tears and laughter of the all-woman crew during their extraordinary voyage makes interesting viewing.

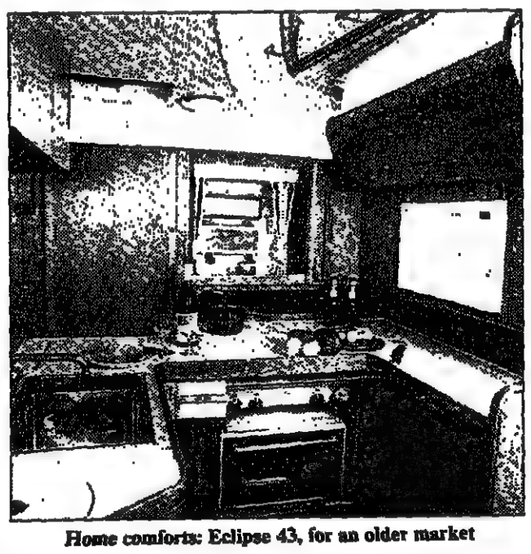
● If the exploits of the Whitbread Round the World yacht race have whetted your appetite for sailing, but not quite enough to voyage around the world, the Automobile Association publication *Yachting in the Northern Mediterranean* suggests alternatives. This handy reference, translated from Italian, provides course notes for six cruise itineraries around the coasts of Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Italy, France and Spain. Priced at £12.95, the guide is ideal for a charter or flotilla cruise, or for planning future voyages.

● "Over the side is over" is the clean-up message to all yachtsmen from the Royal Yachting Association, which has just launched its own clean code and poster campaign. Sailors have long been barred from discharging marine toilets in Britain's canals and rivers, but now the association is pressing boat owners to fit holding tanks in craft used in coastal waters as well. The campaign warns yachtsmen to discharge effluent only when further than three miles out to sea and reminds everyone that it is against the law to dispose of any form of plastic over the side. The association also calls on local authorities and water companies to stop discharging raw sewage into the sea — a view shared by holiday makers, too.

● HM Customs has done away with the compulsory two-hour wait all yachtsmen have had to endure for possible inspection when returning from foreign parts. Instead, crews with nothing to declare merely have to hoist a yellow "Q" flag when entering Britain's 12-mile territorial limits and can leave their yachts as soon as they arrive in port. The only requirement is for skippers to complete their declaration form and post these in the Customs mail boxes now set up in most marinas along the South Coast.

# Old sailors who never cry





**Home comforts: Eclipse 43, for an older market**

Cruising was never like this, writes **Malcolm McKeag**

Roy Barton is tanned and fit, a walking advertisement for having a mild heart attack and taking early retirement (and the handshake that goes with it). He lives mostly aboard his own yacht in one of the better marinas at Hamble, in Hants, planning his summer's voyaging while watching a busy boatyard's comings and goings.

Mr Barton owes his way of life not only to his own hard work and sound financial planning, but also to the appearance of the so-called deck-saloon yacht, a new type of cruising yacht which is changing the face of cruising under sail.

The description "old man's boat" would seem to be the kiss-of-death to any marketing plan for a sailing yacht. Yet to a handful of British boat-builders it is an accolade: market research shows that almost three-quarters of those who buy large sailing yachts are over the age of 50; most sailing yachts, however, seem designed for would-be adventurers half that age.

The boat that has made Mr Barton's post-retirement life such a pleasure is the result of this research — a Moody 43 from one of Britain's oldest yacht yards, Moody's of Burseldon.

The concept is not the exclusive preserve of Moody's. Westerly, of Waterlooville, Northshore at Chichester and Hunter Boats, of Essex, are all builders with deck-saloon yachts in their ranges. All the yachts were born of the realisation that by the time people not born into wealth are able to afford the money and time for a big yacht, most will have lost the athleticism necessary to operate one.

In a traditional sailing cruiser, the cabin is deep inside the hull. The crew are either firmly indoors or totally outdoors — literally "below" or "on deck". The deck-saloon yacht has its windows at deck level which provides a view without the need to go out. A second steering position, for use in bad weather, is for those sailors who like their fresh air in controllable quantities.

Yet the saloon itself is only one of many features taking cruising under sail away from its old image of salt-stained trousers, horny hands and every finger a marlin spike.

Advances in sail-handling equipment, developed for the 100ft-plus super-yachts, has led to automatic winches for the lines which control the sails while modern furling gears can roll a sail as if it is on a roller blind. Gone is the character-building struggle with a wind-torn sail and a too-small sail-bag on a heaving foredeck in a rising gale.

For Mr Barton, the developments have come at the right time. No millonaire, inherited or otherwise, Mr Barton began at the bottom, worked hard and prospered in the footwear industry. Boating was his main form of recreation.

After he suffered a mild heart attack doctors gave him the stark choice that has faced so many in his position.

"This boat has given me back my life," he says. "I'm 60 now, but I don't look it any more — I did when I was working. I tried motor boats, but I had to get back to sailing — but now I need nourishment, not punishment.

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# Safe sailing built on sound sense

**Robin Knox-Johnston** calls for tougher qualifications to improve safety at sea

THE OCCASIONAL well-publicised accident in yacht races must cause concern to those responsible for safety within the sport. The recent fatality in the Round the Island Race and the Fastnet Race of 1979 are examples.

In both cases casualties occurred among less-experienced competitors, raising questions as to how people should gain sufficient training to participate safely in sailing events.

Boating has an established set of qualifications. These range from a competent crew certificate to ocean yacht master. All are issued by the Royal Yachting Association after an applicant has passed a test and sailed a set number of miles.

If there is any criticism of the certificates, it is that the description of the qualification earned is sometimes ambitious. There is little glory to be had from achieving a simple goal, but immense satisfaction from attaining a difficult one. The syllabus and tests should encompass greater knowledge and, in particular, put more emphasis on time spent afloat.

The only drawback to the association certificates is that they are voluntary, and apart from the enthusiasm of the candidates, there is no incentive for people to acquire them. Holders of a yacht master's certificate, for example, do not obtain a discount on their insurance.

Even more surprising is that race organisers rarely demand the appropriate qualification before accepting an entrant for a race. It is still possible for a beginner to buy a boat and enter it for most races in the calendar. If race organisers fail to support the association's efforts to highlight the dangers encountered at sea and the skills required to overcome them, accidents are bound to continue.

One can imagine the uproar if an established yachtsman was told that his race entry form was unacceptable because he did not hold a yacht master's certificate. However, the person concerned would have to reflect that with his or her experience, the examination should not be difficult.

Encouraging higher qualifications would not only reduce the number of disasters, but also remove a potential source of criticism. Each time a boat requires assistance the incident finds its way into the Press, creating a hostage to fortune if an interfering government ever decided to to police safety in small pleasure craft at sea.

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Executive Editor David Brewerton

# BUSINESS

## Fish and chip shop serves up £134,000

HARRY Ramsden's, the fish and chip shop which came to the third market last November, made pre-tax profits of £134,000 for the six months to April. There is no comparable figure for the previous year but the group said profits were 18 per cent of the targets set at the time of flotation.

Sales were £754,000 and earnings per share 1.4p. The interim dividend is 1p. The shares rose 2p to 85p yesterday compared with a flotation price of 100p.

The original restaurant at Guiseley, in Leeds, is trading well. A record £60,000 worth of fish and chips were sold in the week over Easter. A 90-seat extension has been opened.

Construction has started on the Glasgow franchise that will be a 200-seat replica of the Guiseley restaurant and negotiations are underway for two more sites in Britain. A Blackpool restaurant is due to open this September.

The group is discussing the possibilities of franchising in Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Japan and the Middle East.

### THE POUND

US dollar
1.7305 (+0.0065)
W German mark
2.8995 (+0.0028)
Exchange index
91.2 (+0.2)

### STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1913.0 (+4.7)
FT-SE 100
2378.5 (+8.2)
New York Dow Jones
2909.16 (+7.43)*
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
31694.57 (-392.70)
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### INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base, 15%
3-month Interbank 14 31/32-14 7/8%
3-month eligible bills 14 3/4-14 11/32%
US: Prime Rate 10%
Federal Funds 8 3/16%*
3-month Treasury Bills 7.78-7 75%*
30-year bonds 102 3/4-102 13/16*

### CURRENCIES

| London: | New York: |
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| £: $1 7305 | £ $1.7330* |
| £: DM2 8995 | $ DM1 6745* |
| £: SwFr2 4400 | $: SwFr1.4090* |
| £: FFr9.7422 | $: FFr5 6200* |
| £: Yen268.12 | $: Yen154 75* |
| £. Index 91 2 | $ Index:87 5 |
| ECU £0 710450 | SDR £0.764082 |
| £: ECU1.407558 | £ SDR1 308760 |

### GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $349.35 pm-$348.40
close $348.50-349.00 (£201 25-201.75 )
New York:
Comex $349.00-349.50*

### NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Aug ) ... . $16.00 bbl ($15.85)
* Denotes latest trading price

### TOURIST RATES

| | Bank Buys | Bank Sells |
|---|---|---|
| Australia $ | 2 31 | 2.15 |
| Austria Sch | 21 15 | 19 85 |
| Belgium Fr | 62 40 | 58 40 |
| Canada $ | 2 108 | 1.996 |
| Denmark Kr | 11 54 | 10 84 |
| Finland Mkk | 7 15 | 6 75 |
| France Fr | 10 14 | 9 54 |
| Germany Dm | 3 02 | 2 84 |
| Greece Dr | 289 00 | 273 00 |
| Hong Kong $ | 14 08 | 13 18 |
| Ireland Pt | 1 13 | 1 06 |
| Italy Lira | 2215 00 | 2085 00 |
| Japan Yen | 281 00 | 265 00 |
| Netherlands Gld | 3 37 | 3 19 |
| Norway Kr | 11 64 | 10 94 |
| Portugal Esc | 264 35 | 249 25 |
| South Africa Rd | 5 85 | 5 25 |
| Spain Pta | 185 50 | 173 50 |
| Sweden Kr | 10 88 | 10 28 |
| Switzerland Fr | 2 55 | 2.39 |
| Turkey Lira | 4740 00 | 4340 00 |
| USA $ | 1 808 | 1 708 |
| Yugoslavia Dnr | 24 25 | 18 25 |

Rates for small denomination bank only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC Different rates apply to travellers cheques
Retail Price Index: 126.2 (May)

# Weston attacks Margulies over Berisford

By ANGELA MACKAY

GARRY Weston, the chairman of Associated British Foods, strongly rebuked Ephraim Margulies, former chairman of Berisford International yesterday.

He also warned shareholders that ABF may write down the value of its 23 per cent stake in the British sugar group if Berisford is forced to make further provisions against its New York property portfolio.

Mr Weston said he had "actively pushed" for changes to the Berisford board that led to the resignation of Mr Margulies and Howard Zuckerman this year. Mr Zuckerman was in charge of the company's "disastrous New York operations" he added.

"Whilst fully supporting the efforts of the new board, I must put on record my belief that the recently publicised investment disasters are a telling indictment of the stewardship of the previous management," Mr Weston told shareholders at the group's annual meeting.

"It is nothing short of tragic that an important British asset — such as British Sugar — should have been under the control of that management."

Mr Weston said if further substantial provisions are made against anticipated losses and liabilities incurred on New York properties and other investments, ABF would be forced to consider the carrying value of the company's investment in Berisford. At the same time, he did not rule out a bid for Berisford at some stage.

He estimated the carrying cost of ABF's Berisford stake at 117p a share and entered in the balance sheet as an asset worth £132.2 million. Berisford shares closed 1p lower at 119p.

A Berisford spokesman said the company would not comment on Mr Weston's remarks. He said the new management is in place, led by Peter Jacobs, and that it is doing its best. He added that Mr Weston seemed to be making a profit forecast for his own shareholders, not Berisford.

After the meeting, Mr Weston said he would have to wait and see just how large the write-down would be, but his comments were intended to warn shareholders.

He said any company interested in making a bid for Berisford, which has interests spanning sugar, property, jewellery and commodities, should realise the capitalisation value of the group plus its indebtedness came to about £1.5 billion.

Berisford's interim results were due for release to the Stock Exchange at the end of next week but have been delayed until July 5. In 1989, the company provided almost £50 million against its commitment to 13 properties — 12 on Manhattan and one in Rockland County, New York State — and property prices and rents have continued to slide.

New York property analysts suggested earlier this year that Berisford would need to write off another $200 million to account for the depressed state of the rental and sales markets.

London analysts have made widely diverging assessments of between $115 million and $350 million on the property alone while County NatWest, the broker, has forecast a pre-tax interim profit of £55 million before extraordinary provisions.

Other write-offs are also expected to include provisions relating to an alleged jewellery robbery at NGI Precious Metals, Berisford's precious gems subsidiary in New York.

An article in the latest issue of *Forbes*, the American business magazine, says Berisford is trying to recover $54 million from its insurers after Russian criminals allegedly posed as jewellers between 1986 and 1988 and stole gold and jewels to the value of this amount.

So far, Berisford's insurers have only been provided with evidence relating to $1 million of jewels stolen by one Russian employee and the Federal Bureau of Investigation is still pursuing the matter.

At yesterday's shareholders' meeting, Mr Weston confirmed ABF is still interested in buying Berisford's main food manufacturing companies, in particular British Sugar.

So far, ABF is the only company which has been cleared to make an offer by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The company abandoned its bid in 1987 after the October stock market crash but kept its 23 per cent stake.

Last week, Tate & Lyle's proposed bid for Berisford was referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission after Tate invited the authorities to decide whether they would approve a new bid.

The government blocked a bid by Tate & Lyle in 1987 on the grounds it would have created a monopoly in the British sugar industry.

ALISTAIR GRANT

Thoughts on provisions: Garry Weston at yesterday's meeting with hostesses from ABF's Stewarts subsidiary

# M&W offers stocks in stores

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

M&W, the southern-based convenience stores group, is coming to the market via a placing to raise £3.9 million to fund future expansion.

Beeson Gregory, the stockbroker is placing 5.63 million shares, 36.75 per cent of the enlarged capital, at 77p, valuing the group at £11.8 million.

M&W operates 74 local convenience stores in the south of England. It has four small supermarkets, one of which will soon be sold, and two cash and carry wholesale warehouses. The stores are typically between 1,500 and 2,500 sq ft and are open seven days a week between 7am and 10pm.

The chain was founded in 1848 and 25 of the existing 26 shareholders are descendants of the founders.

None of the existing shareholders is selling any shares and most have agreed not to sell any of their holdings for at least six months.

Michael Weston, chairman and chief executive, plans to open 16 stores this year and would consider acquiring a small chain of convenience stores. The group intends to move slowly northward, missing out London for the time being.

Pre-tax profits have risen from £846,000 in 1987 to £1.29 million for the year to October 1989. M&W is forecasting pre-tax profits before exceptional income of £1.6 million this year. Based on forecast earnings per share of 9.3p, the price earnings multiple is 8.2 times.

In the absence of unforseen circumstances the directors intend to recommend a final dividend of 1p to be paid in February. On the basis of a notional annual dividend of 2.2p, the gross dividend yield is 3.8 per cent. The group has no gearing. The shares are expected to start trading on June 28.

The stores carry 4,000 product lines, including wines, spirits and beers, soft drings, cigarettes, groceries, confectionery, fresh and frozen foods, stationery and videos. Newspapers and magazines are an important part of the group's business, making up 11 per cent of sales.

Basil Taylor, administration director, said the group's small supermarkets and cash and carry businesses made a useful contribution to profits and because of their high sales volumes, increased the group's buying powers with manufacturers.

Mr Weston said the convenience stores market in Britain had increased from £450 million to £1.75 billion between 1984 and 1988.

JOHN CHAPMAN

Coming to market: Michael Weston, chairman of stores group M&W, yesterday

# Housing market gives 'double boost' to inflation

By DEREK HARRIS, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE housing market, in which growth in values has been fuelled by "superior" tax treatment for mortgages, has applied a two-pronged boost to inflation, John Banham, the director general of the Confederation of British Industry, told the annual conference of the Institute of Housing in Harrogate.

The past year had seen a reversal of the house price spiral, said Mr Banham.

However, he added, house prices in general had risen faster than other prices in the post-war period. The rising cost of housing had therefore contributed directly to pay claims and hence inflation.

The second influence arose because economic prosperity was increasingly becoming heavily based on the availability of skills.

This made it more important for people with scarce skills to be able to move around the country to wherever their particular skills were needed.

Yet the scarcity of suitable rented accommodation made moving extremely difficult.

In reference to this nationwide problem, Mr Banham said: "We have firms screaming out for labour in Surrey or Hampshire, with unemployment around 2 per cent, and people out of work in Tyneside and Scotland.

"These imbalances are a drag on the national economy."

He added: "We should stop playing Monopoly with the roofs above our heads. Because of the myth that house prices are a safe hedge against inflation, people in Britain devote an immense proportion of their income to purchasing houses.

"They should not be prompted to do so by developing a casino mentality where they are encouraged to gamble ever more on house prices in the vain hope that it is a one-way bet," stressed Mr Banham.

He added: "It is outrageous that those who buy a stake in British business through buying equities directly should receive inferior tax treatment to those speculating in the property market."

More houses were needed in some parts of the country, Hampshire being a key example, said Mr Banham.

The planning system, in which local district authorities are the controlling bodies, needed to be more flexible to allow this to happen, he added.

# Increase in levy hits Anglia

AN INCREASED contribution to television industry costs pushed pre-tax profits at Anglia Television Group, the eastern England ITV contractor, down to £8.08 million from £8.92 million in the half-year to end-April despite an increase in its share of total advertising revenues.

Anglia gave warning that pre-tax profits for the current year were unlikely to match the £18.5 million made last time, despite gains made from televising the World Cup this summer.

The half-way dividend, however, has been raised from 2.6p to 2.86p. Earnings per share slipped from 13.29p to 11.91p at the interim stage. Yesterday, the group's shares edged back 4p to 255p.

David McCall, chief executive, said Anglia had seen its advertising revenue rise 4 per cent in the period, against an average for the industry of just 0.8 per cent. This had taken Anglia's share of total television advertising revenues to 6.7 per cent.

But the contribution it makes to the industry's costs had also risen sharply because it is based on revenue share. So had the levy payment under new arrangements for ITV contractors which were put in place at the start of the year.

As a result, the Channel 4 subscription was £142,000 higher at £8.84 million. The exchequer levy was a little lower but would be higher for the year as a whole.

"We've had an upturn in May and June, because of the World Cup," said Mr McCall, "but we're looking at a soft summer in July and August."

Forthcoming productions include a second series of *The Chief*, a recently-screened six-part drama on modern-day policing, another Inspector Dalgleish series based on the books of crime writer PD James and a thriller, *Care of Time*, based on a book by Eric Ambler. The station's best-known programme, *Survival*, drew an audience of 12 million viewers for one episode during the first half.

Anglia's dual news service, in which it is investing £2 million, starts broadcasting on July 9. It will provide the west and east of the company's region with their own news service.

"This will reinforce the strength of our regional coverage . . . given special emphasis in the Broadcasting Bill," said Mr McCall.

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# Suchard welcomes Morris offer

By WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

PHILIP Morris Companies, the New York-based consumer products conglomerate best known for Marlboro cigarettes, is making an agreed offer for Jacobs Suchard, the Swiss food group, for SwFr 5.4 billion (£2.2 billion).

Jacobs Suchard, based in Zurich, is the world's third largest coffee and chocolate company. It is led by Klaus Jacobs, the West German businessman, who in 1982 merged his Jacobs coffee business into Suchard-Tobler, then just a chocolate company. Jacobs Suchard operates in three areas today — confectionery, coffee and various trading activities, which operate under the Van Houten name.

Initially Philip Morris will take over Colima Holding, a company controlled by Herr Jacobs that owns 25 per cent of Suchard's capital but 57 per cent of the votes.

Philip Morris will make a cash tender offer for the remaining traded shares in the company. The offer will be for SwFr 8,500 per Suchard bearer share, SwFr 1,660 per registered share and SwFr 758 for each non-voting participation certificate.

Suchard shares have risen on takeover speculation during the past weeks and were suspended in Switzerland on Thursday night at SwFr 7,800. Yesterday they closed at SwFr 8,300.

Philip Morris will obtain financing for the deal from existing credit facilities and from Swiss banks. The full terms of the offer will be published before July 10.

The deal, which came as no surprise to the stock markets, is further evidence of Philip Morris's intention to reduce its exposure to its tobacco business amid expectations of a worldwide decline in tobacco sales. At present, tobacco accounts for 40 per cent of Philip Morris's revenue and 65 per cent of profits.

A spokesman for Philip Morris said: "1992 is one factor, but we also needed to be able to compete with Nestlé and Unilever. The changes in Eastern Europe have also been a consideration."

"It's probably Philip Morris"

There has been frequent speculation about a bid by Jacobs Suchard for Cadbury Schweppes, the British chocolates and drinks group. After the takeover, it remains unclear how Philip Morris intends to develop Suchard's confectionery businesses. The spokesman for Philip Morris refused to comment on whether the company considered further acquisitions in this area.

Under the agreement Philip Morris will not take over Suchard's Canadian subsidiary, E.J. Brach, a manufacturer of sweets, Suchard's industrial chocolate businesses, and the company's equity stakes in various banks.

The board of Suchard said in a statement: "There was no Swiss solution for the creation of a global coffee and confectionery business. The board welcomes the public tender offer announced by Philip Morris."

A Suchard spokesman said: "Initially we were looking for a Swiss partner because a company of such traditional standing is not easily given away."

Suchard is understood to have been in talks with Nestlé although a link up would have caused cartel problems throughout the world. Other Swiss companies would not have been able to obtain the finance for the deal.

Jacobs Suchard will continue to trade under its own name and retain its headquarters in Zurich. Herr Jacobs will resign as chief executive but remain as chairman.

Philip Morris has diversified into the food business through various American acquisitions, including General Foods for $5.6 billion in 1985, and Kraft General Foods for $12.9 billion in 1988. Its best-known products are Miller Light, the low-alcohol beer, Maxwell House coffee, and Café Hag decaffinated coffee.

Jacobs Suchard's brands include Toblerone, Côte d'Or and Suchard chocolates, and Jacobs coffee, one of West Germany's most established coffee brands.

In 1989 Philip Morris achieved net earnings of $2.9 billion on operating revenues of $44.8 billion. Suchard's net income was $194.6 million on sales of $4.7 billion.

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# Atlantic executives set up business

By Angela Mackay

SEVERAL former executives of Atlantic Computers, the collapsed computer leasing subsidiary of British & Commonwealth, have set up or are starting computer leasing businesses, often employing former members of the Atlantic sales team on a commission-only basis.

Sein Yin Cheng Kai On, Atlantic's former finance director; Jeremy Crame, a former board member; and Michael Rixon, another sales executive, are at the helm of Mellordata, part of the office systems arm of Sketchley. Between them, they have options worth 15 per cent of the company.

John Gillum, Sketchley's chairman, who steps down in August, was once the chairman of Atlantic Computers and introduced Mr Crame and later Ms Cheng Kai On to the company.

Mellordata was part of Equipu, the photocopier business that Sketchley's old management bought and sold in two years. In the year to end-March, Mellordata reported a loss but the management expects the company to return an operating profit in the current year.

Mr Gillum and NM Rothschild, the merchant bank, introduced the Equipu deal to Sketchley in December 1986.

John Richardson, joint executive deputy chairman of Sketchley, said yesterday Ms Cheng Kai On had spoken to him about setting-up a "mini-Atlantic" within the Sketchley subsidiary. "The company cannot afford to be handing out parent company guarantees at this stage. We are in the process of reconstructing the balance sheet," said Mr Richardson.

Mr Crame and Ms Cheng Kai On had "gone a long way" to sorting out Mellordata's problems since they joined, he said.

The former managing director of the subsidiary resigned last summer at the conclusion of his earn-out period, followed later by the rest of the management. Mr Crame joined in October 1989 while Ms Cheng Kai On and Mr Rixon were employed in January.

Ms Cheng Kai On joined Atlantic in 1978 as a chartered accountant and became company secretary when the company was floated in 1983. Two years later she became finance director when Mr John Tompkins resigned.

Other senior members of the Atlantic sales force, David Greenberg, Michael Cohen and Michael Northall, have established Stella CBF Computers and taken-on many ex-Atlantic staff.

Capital Computers, headed by Steve Mason, a former Atlantic sales executive, also employed several sales staff on a commission-only basis. Blackspur managed by Nicholas Thomas, also a former Atlantic employee, is believed to have picked-up some staff.

A week ago, the trade and industry department announced it was conducting an investigation into Atlantic's collapse under section 432 of the Companies Act 1985.

DTI inspectors are expected to concentrate on the preparation of Atlantic's accounts since the company was floated in 1983, with particular emphasis on 1988 and the 1989 interim results. British & Commonwealth bought Atlantic for £411 million in September 1988.

Atlantic's problems helped push B&C into administration five weeks after its parent announced it was writing off £550 million on the investment and appointed administrators to the group.

● British & Commonwealth Merchant Bank, part of the ailing B&C group, yesterday sold its £1.5 billion swaps portfolio to Barclays de Zoete Wedd for an undisclosed price.

# Pound and shares up on £1.3bn trade gap

By Rodney Lord, economics editor

BRITAIN'S balance of payments deficit fell by nearly £300 million last month from a revised figure of £1.6 billion to £1.32 billion. With the help of comments by John Major, the chancellor, on the need to maintain high interest rates the pound and shares gained.

Sterling closed up 0.2 on the effective rate index at 91.2. The FT-SE 100 index was up 8.2 points at 2,378.5.

Mr Major told the Conservative women's conference that inflationary pressures had been underestimated in the past and that was why a tight fiscal stance and high interest rates were needed.

Exports rose last month from £8.65 billion to £8.92 billion while imports were little changed at £10.45 billion. This left a trade deficit of £1.52 billion and, after an estimated surplus on invisible trade of £200 million, a current account deficit close to market expectations at £1.32 billion.

The Treasury said the narrowing of the deficit pointed to a revival of exports. "The volume of exports of manufactured goods, excluding erratics, in the three months to May was up 14 per cent on a year earlier, a very good export performance indeed." Excluding oil and erratic items, the volume of exports as a whole in the three months to May was 1½ per cent higher than in the previous three months and 11 per cent higher than a year earlier. Imports on the same basis rose by 4 per cent on the previous three months and by 4 per cent on a year earlier.

Most of the rise in export volume was in capital goods, which rose by 5 per cent in the last three months against the previous three months, intermediate goods, up by 4½ per cent and consumer goods other than cars, ahead by 3½ per cent. On the import side, basic materials rose by 13 per cent, semi-manufactures by 7 per cent and consumer goods other than cars by 5½ per cent.

Revised provisional estimates of gross domestic product indicate that the economy grew by 1½ per cent in the first quarter against the same quarter of last year.

Over the same period, money gross domestic product increased by 8 per cent, the GDP deflator (a measure of underlying inflation) rose by 6½ per cent and Britain's real income as measured by gross national disposable income rose by ½ per cent. Among the components of GDP, analysed by expenditure, consumer spending rose by 3 per cent year on year and fixed investment by 2½ per cent. Indices of GDP volume were 117.5 for output, 116.7 income, 116.2 expenditure and 116.8 average (1985=100).

# Micrelec profits surge 28%

DES JENSON

Green is good for profits: Michael Field, finance director, left, and David Willis, chief executive, of Micrelec

A SURGE in demand for unleaded petrol has kept Micrelec, specialist supplier of automated equipment for garage forecourts, working round the clock (Martin Barrow writes).

In the year to end-March, the USM-quoted company increased turnover by 60 per cent to £18 million as petrol retailers raced to keep up with competitors by installing pumps suitable for unleaded petrol.

But the increase in profits was tempered by a switch to a higher proportion of products bought in from other manufacturers and by an increase in product development costs. Pre-tax profits surged 28 per cent to £2.10 million. Earnings per share, adjusted for a one-for-four rights issue in February, rose 22 per cent to 12.07p. Directors are recommending a final dividend of 2.8p for a total of 4p, against 3.3p last time. The company's shares gained 2p to 168p.

The February rights issue raised £3.1 million which was used to fund the acquisition of CGF Automation and its subsidiary, Contents Measuring Systems, which provide road tanker calibration services and products for tank-level measurement, for an initial consideration of £950,000. Micrelec also acquired the freehold premises of its head office for £825,000.

CGF will expand Micrelec's existing range of products and services, which includes pump controls, electronic point-of-sale equipment, funds transfer and systems management, to form what David Willis, chief executive, describes as a "tank to bank solution". Group companies include Normond, a supplier of undergound storage tank gauges, and Letronic, which installs and services petrol pumps.

Once demand for equipment for unleaded petrol settles down Micrelec hopes to benefit from the launch of new systems to improve safety and environmental control in petrol stations. The company expects to spend about £1.5 million on new product development in the current year.

Mr Willis said that although competitive pressures were intensifying previous investment in new products and the existing order book indicated "excellent prospects for continued growth".

Micrelec also announced yesterday the appointment of Michael Field as finance director. Mr Field a former executive of BOC and Ultramar, joins the company from Disctec, a producer of compact discs.

## BUSINESS ROUNDUP

### Rank attacks Mecca over past earnings

MECCA shareholders should concentrate on the present and future earnings of their company, not the past, says Michael Gifford, chief executive of Rank Organisation, which this month launched a £512 million hostile bid for the company. Mecca has described the bid as "paltry", but Mr Gifford believes the description is "mistaken and misleading".

The disagreement centres on the likely exit price earnings ratio. At 8.2, it is a 35 per cent discount to the FT Actuaries leisure index p/e of 12.6, says Mecca. If exceptional and non-recurring items are included, as they are with the index, a fair comparison would establish the Rank offer price multiple at 15 times, and show a 19 per cent premium to the index, counters Rank. The consensus of financial analysts' forecasts for 1990 indicates that Mecca's earnings per ordinary share will fall by 21 per cent compared with 1989.

### TNT steps up plans for East

TNT, the international transport group, said it planned to expand its worldwide Skypak courier service in Eastern Europe by "establishing joint ventures with experienced local companies" in Bulgaria, Romania and Albania. TNT will also operate full services to Poland and Czechoslovakia following a rise in shipments to Hungary, the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia.

### Manx study chief named

THE Isle of Man Lieutenant Governor has appointed Anthony Tristram Kenneth May, QC, to conduct an enquiry into the £42 million collapse of the Savings and Investment Bank in 1982. The enquiry was approved by the island's government last month, after the collapse of a criminal trial involving eight bank officials. A preliminary hearing will be held on July 25.

### US orders give hope

A STRONG increase in durable goods orders reflected continued signs of life in the American economy, with May orders rising 3.9 per cent. Most economists had expected a 1.9 per cent increase. The advance comes after a 4.2 per cent fall in orders in April.

Transportation orders were the main reason for the rise, with good orders for aircraft and cars resulting in a 9.9 per cent increase in transportation goods. Alan Greenspan, the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, this week rejected suggestions of a widespread credit squeeze in America, saying: "Enough credit appears to be available to fuel growth in the economy. All things considered, continued modest economic growth remains the most likely outcome."

### AFI dealings suspended

DEALINGS in the shares and warrants of Amalgamated Financial Investments have been suspended at the company's request. AFI says it will annouce a number of acquisitions next week, each of which will require shareholders' approval. AFI's shares were suspended at 6p, 0.5p above its low for the year, and valuing the investment company at £2.7 million.

### Murray loss at half time

MURRAY Enterprise, the investment trust which merged with Murray Technology last year, suffered a pre-tax loss of £64,000 in the six months to January 1990, against revenue of £268,000 last time. Dividends and interest fell from £534,000 to £219,000. The loss per share is 1.1p, against earnings of 0.61p previously. Net asset value fell from 98.7p to 83.6p.

### Charges dismissed

A FEDERAL court judge has dismissed 11 of the 41 counts against former Wall Street arbitrageur John Mulheren on the grounds that there was no evidence Mr Mulheren defrauded his partners. Mr Mulheren still faces charges that he rigged share prices and helped Ivan Boesky, who was convicted of fraud in 1987, avoid tax and rules specifying minimum capital limits for stockbrokers.

Mr Boesky gave evidence against Mr Mulheren in his first public testimony since being released from jail this year. Mr Mulheren is the first to publicly challenge Mr Boesky's evidence in court. Others named by Mr Boesky have pleaded guilty.

# Brussels ready to reject BA stake in new airline

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

PLANS by British Airways to take a 20 per cent stake in a new European airline based in Brussels seem likely to be dashed this week following objections by the European Commission.

The airline had hoped to develop a network of regional air routes throughout Europe by taking a £34 million stake in Sabena World Airways, a new airline formed jointly with the existing Belgian state airline and KLM, the Dutch carrier.

Once the proposed deal became public, however, the European Commission immediately launched an investigation running parallel to a similar enquiry ordered by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission in Britain.

Lord King of Wartnaby, the British Airways chairman, criticised the government for forcing an MMC enquiry and made it plain that if the European Commission put conditions on the deal he would back out. Senior EC officials yesterday said they were preparing to object because they believe the deal is anti-competitive, and they would send a formal notice to each of the three airlines concerned on Wednesday.

Lord King: criticism

Brussels hopes the airlines will now come up with amendments to the original proposal which would provide for greater competition and enable rivals, such as British Midland, to compete more effectively. Similar objections are possible from the MMC, whose report is to be sent to Nicholas Ridley, the trade secretary, next week.

Both the MMC and the commission were faced with a barrage of objections to the proposed deal, which BA saw as a major boost to air services throughout Europe by linking dozens of regional centres through the Brussels "hub".

Some airlines even claimed the proposed link was illegal and argued strongly that Sabena World Airways flights should not be allowed into Heathrow, while others claimed it would stifle competition from smaller independent rivals – all of which was denied by BA.

If the deal is outlawed or modified, as predicted, it is certain to sour relations even more between Lord King and regulators in Britain and the commission , and could pave the way for an American airline to achieve a much-needed foothold on the Continent in readiness for the single market in 1992.

# Cassidy plunges into red

By Gillian Bowditch

CASSIDY Brothers, the toy and sports equipment maker based in Blackpool, plunged into a £312,000 loss in its first full year as a public company, against a profit of £582,000.

Sales in the year to April fell from £4.43 million to £4.11 million and the loss per share was 5.98p after earnings of 6.75p. The final dividend has been cut from 2.7p to 0.75p.

Tom Cassidy, the chairman, said a drop in sales in the first five months of the year reflected the reluctance of customers to take goods into stock until October and November because of high interest rates.

The group has invested in machinery and new products have been introduced. Sales in the first five months of this calendar year are 54 per cent higher than last year. Orders are 44 per cent up on last year. Mr Cassidy said: "Market trends give indications of a return to profitability in the current financial year."

The shares fell 3p to 38p.

## Gillibrand urges shareholders to attend meeting

# Chloride's move faces acid reaction

By Colin Campbell

CHLORIDE is likely to face criticism from shareholders at the July 23 annual meeting after yesterday's decision to pass the final dividend for the year ended March. The latest dividend on the preference capital has also been passed.

Because of the year's result, Chloride could be obliged to include the nomination of Dr Maurice Gillibrand to the board on the agm agenda. The process of his nomination is being prepared by a fellow shareholder and will be delivered to Chloride's offices soon.

Chloride blames a gross £5.6 million provision against its ill-fated 1988 purchase of a controlling stake in Altus Corporation of America and other accounting items, which leaves it with insufficient reserves within the parent company. This makes the group unable to declare a final dividend.

At the interim stage, Chloride paid 0.55p a share. Year-end net earnings were 0.8p against 0.9p a share previously. The year's accounts will detail an £11.7 million pension fund item.

Dr Gillibrand, a former research director at the battery group, said he was willing to be nominated to the board because of Chloride's state of affairs. He called on other shareholders to attend the meeting and ask questions.

He wants to know whether proper diligence was exercised by Chloride in making its investment in Altus, whose fortunes have soured because of American defence cuts.

Chloride reported a pre-tax profit of £12.8 million against £12.2 million and a turnover on continuing operations of £237.7 million (£208.1 million) for its 1990 financial year.

However, it has had to provide £5.6 million gross within a net £1.1 million extraordinary charge against Altus, which it is now trying to sell "in pieces rather than as a whole".

Chloride says it is now "carefully assessing the prospects – both short term and long term – for the group's batteries and electronic businesses," and that "a further review of management structure and overheads is also being undertaken".

Ray Horrocks, the chairman, said: "A statement will be made as soon as specific conclusions have been reached on the optimum strategy for the group." He admitted that "with hindsight, we should not have done it (bought Altus)".

Chloride added that Mercurius SA of Sweden now holds "more than 16 per cent" of the equity, but invitations to Mercurius to explain its intentions "have not been taken up".

Dr Gillibrand said Chloride's failure to produce a final dividend "is just a further consequence of the disastrous purchase of Altus. I hope at the annual meeting the board will be closely questioned by shareholders to make certain the proper diligence was exercised in making this purchase".

Dr Gillibrand said he was prepared to allow himself to be nominated a director because he believed this to be the wish of most individual shareholders. His previous attempt last July to join Chloride's board received six million votes, but was outweighed by proxies for 68 million.

Now he may receive backing from institutions, which, after the results, have fresh cause to worry about Chloride.

Mr Horrocks said: "If anybody has a better idea (about Chloride affairs) I am prepared to listen."


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WALL STREET

# Early rise for Dow on strength of bonds

**New York**
SHARES opened firmer, with strength in US bonds supporting stocks despite increased speculation that interest rates will not come down soon. The Dow Jones industrial average was up 2.97 points at 2,904.70.

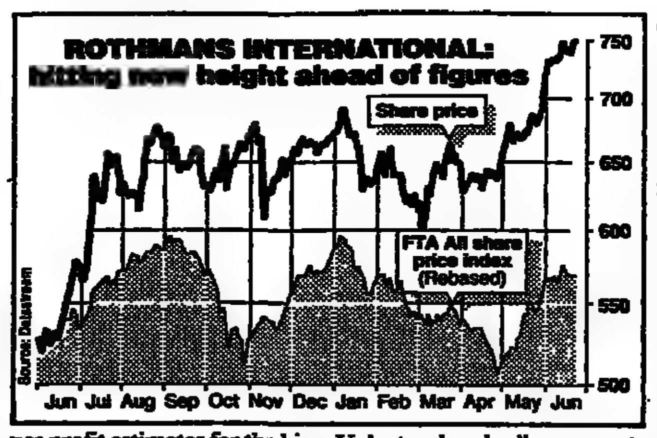
● **Tokyo** — The Nikkei index was down 392.70 to 31,694.57.
● **Hong Kong** — The Hang Seng index added 11.82 points to close at 3,246.21.
● **Singapore** — The *Straits Times* industrial index fell 0.65 of a point to 1,532.92.
● **Sydney** — The All Ordinaries index ended 7.1 points up at 1,512.5 on thin volume.
● **Frankfurt** — The DAX index ended 9.35 firmer at 1,872.92. *(Reuter)*

| | Jun 22 midday | Jun 21 close | | Jun 22 midday | Jun 21 close | | Jun 22 midday | Jun 21 close |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbott Lab | 40⅜ | 40⅜ | Enron | 55¾ | 55⅝ | Oryx Energy | 44⅝ | 45 |
| Aetna Life | 52⅜ | 52⅞ | Entergy | 19½ | 19⅜ | Pac Ent | 43½ | 43¼ |
| Ahmanson | 20 | 19⅞ | Ethyl | 30⅞ | 30⅜ | Pac Gas Elec | 22⅝ | 22⅝ |
| Air Prods | 56⅜ | 56⅝ | Exxon | 48⅛ | 48⅜ | Pac Telesis | 43⅝ | 44 |
| Albertsons | 69⅞ | 69⅝ | Fed NMA | 40⅞ | 40⅝ | Paccar | 42⅞ | 42¼ |
| Alcan Al | 22⅝ | 22⅜ | Fedrl Expre | 48⅝ | 48⅝ | Pacificorp | 20⅞ | 21¼ |
| Alco Stand | 34⅞ | 34⅜ | Fit Ncnstar | 20⅞ | 20 | Pall | 33⅞ | 33¼ |
| Allied Signal | 35⅞ | 36¼ | Fluor | 47⅞ | 47⅜ | Paramount | 45⅞ | 45 |
| Alumin CA | 65⅞ | 66 | Ford Motor | 44⅞ | 44⅞ | Parker-Hanfn | 31 | 31⅞ |
| Am Brands | 64⅜ | 64 | FPL | 31⅜ | 31¼ | Penney | 63⅞ | 63⅝ |
| Am Cyanmd | 57⅞ | 57⅞ | Fst Chicago | 30⅝ | 30½ | Pennzoil | 75 | 75⅛ |
| Am EPC | 29⅞ | 28⅞ | Fst Interst | 41⅜ | 41 | Pepsico | 76⅝ | 75⅛ |
| Am General | 47⅞ | 47⅞ | Fst Union | 19⅞ | 20 | Pfizer | 64⅝ | 64½ |
| Am Home | 51⅞ | 51 | Gannett | 39⅝ | 39⅝ | Philips Pet | 25½ | 25⅝ |
| Am Intl | 69⅞ | 69⅝ | Gen Cinema | 23 | 22½ | Philips Elec | 16⅞ | 16⅝ |
| Am Medical | n/a | n/a | Gen Elec | 70⅝ | 70⅝ | Philip Morris | 46⅝ | 44⅜ |
| Am Stores | 66⅞ | 66⅝ | Gen Mills | 86 | 85 | Phlps Dodge | 57⅝ | 57⅜ |
| Amax | 24⅛ | 24⅝ | Gen Motors | 49⅝ | 49⅝ | Pitney Bow | 49⅞ | 49½ |
| Amer Hess | 44⅝ | 45 | Gen Re | 88⅞ | 86⅞ | Plcr Dome | 14½ | 15 |
| Ameritech | 63⅝ | 62⅞ | Gen Signal | 57⅞ | 57⅜ | PNC Finl | 31½ | 32¼ |
| Amex | 30⅞ | 30⅞ | Genentech | 27⅝ | 27⅝ | Prmdla Esn | 24⅞ | 25 |
| Amoco | 52⅞ | 52⅝ | Genuine Pts | 40½ | 40⅝ | Polaroid | 40⅝ | 40⅝ |
| AMP | 52⅝ | 51⅜ | Georgia-Pac | 42⅞ | 41½ | PPG Inds | 47⅞ | 47½ |
| AMR | 65⅞ | 66⅝ | Gillette | 59⅞ | 60 | Prctr Gmble | 84⅝ | 83⅞ |
| Anheuser-B | 43⅞ | 43⅝ | Goodrich | 43⅞ | 43⅝ | [illegible] | 37⅜ | 37⅜ |
| Apple Comp | 42⅜ | 40⅝ | Goodyear | 32⅞ | 32⅜ | Primerica | 34⅝ | 33⅞ |
| Archer-Dan | 24⅞ | 25⅛ | Grace | 29⅞ | 29⅜ | Pub Service | 25⅞ | 26 |
| Arida | 23⅞ | 23⅜ | Greyhound | 27⅞ | 26⅞ | Quaker Oats | 48 | 48⅝ |
| Armstrong | 35⅞ | 35⅝ | Gt Atlantic | 57 | 56½ | Ralston Pur | 91⅝ | 91⅛ |
| Asarco | 25⅞ | 25⅝ | Gt Nor Nek | 65⅞ | 65⅝ | Raychem | 34½ | 34⅝ |
| Ashland Oil | 36⅛ | 35⅝ | Gt Western | 18 | 17⅞ | Raytheon | 63⅝ | 64½ |
| AT&T | 43⅝ | 43⅝ | GTE | 63⅝ | 63⅜ | Reebok | 17⅜ | 18 |
| Atlan Richfld | 117⅜ | 117½ | Halliburtn | 48⅝ | 48⅝ | Roadway | 36½ | 37 |
| Auto DP | 56⅜ | 56⅝ | Heinz | 34⅜ | 34⅝ | Rockwell | 27⅝ | 27½ |
| Avery Intl | 23⅞ | 24 | Hercules | 34⅞ | 34⅝ | Rohm Haas | 34⅞ | 34¼ |
| Avon Prod | 36⅜ | 35⅜ | Hershey Fd | 36⅝ | 36⅝ | Royal Dutch | 75⅝ | 75⅛ |
| Baltimore | 26⅞ | 26⅝ | Hewlett Pkd | 47⅞ | 47⅝ | Rubbermaid | 40⅝ | 40⅛ |
| Banc One | 29 | 29⅞ | Hilton Htl | 56⅛ | 57⅜ | Rynlds Mtl | 58½ | 58⅝ |
| Bankamerica | 29⅞ | 29⅜ | Home Depot | 60⅝ | 60⅝ | Safeco | 35⅞ | 36 |
| Bard | 15⅝ | 15⅝ | Homestake | 17⅜ | 17⅜ | Salomon | 24⅝ | 24⅝ |
| Barnett Bl | 33⅞ | 33⅞ | Honeywell | 97⅝ | 98 | Sant Fe Pac | 21⅝ | 21½ |
| Bausch Lmb | 67 | 66⅞ | Houston Ind | 32⅝ | 32⅝ | Sara Lee | 29⅝ | 29⅝ |
| Baxter Intl | 25⅝ | 25⅝ | Hsehld Intl | 49⅝ | 49⅜ | Schecorp | 38⅞ | 38⅝ |
| Bec Dickin | 69⅞ | 70⅜ | Humana | 47⅞ | 46⅝ | Schlumbgr | 58⅞ | 58⅝ |
| Bell Atlan | 50⅝ | 50⅝ | IBM | 118⅝ | 119 | Schrg-Plgh | 47 | 46⅞ |
| Bellsouth | 54⅝ | 54⅝ | IP&F | 69⅝ | 69⅝ | Scott Papr | 47⅝ | 47½ |
| Bkr Hughes | 29 | 28⅝ | Illinois TW | 53⅞ | 53 | Seagram | 83 | 83 |
| Black Decker | 16 | 16 | Inco | 27⅜ | 27 | Sears Rbk | 36⅝ | 36⅝ |
| Block | 40⅝ | 39⅝ | Ingsol-Rand | 58⅞ | 58⅞ | Secrty Pac | 38⅝ | 38½ |
| Bnkrs Tst NY | 41⅜ | 40⅝ | Inland Steel | 33⅞ | 33⅞ | Shrwn-Wlms | 39⅝ | 39⅝ |
| Boeing | 59⅝ | 58⅝ | Intel | 47⅜ | 47⅞ | Snap-on Tls | 35⅝ | 35⅝ |
| Boise Case | 35⅞ | 36 | Intl Paper | 52 | 52⅝ | Southern | 24⅝ | 24⅝ |
| Borden | 35⅝ | 35⅝ | ITT | 58⅞ | 59 | Sovran | 29⅝ | 30⅜ |
| Brist-Myer | 63⅞ | 62⅞ | James River | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | St Paul | 59⅝ | 58⅝ |
| Browng-Fer | 44 | 43⅝ | Johnsn Jhsn | 68⅞ | 66⅞ | Stanley Wk | 33⅝ | 34 |
| Burl Nth | 36⅜ | 37 | K Mart | 36 | 36 | Stone Cntr | 18 | 18 |
| CAI | 15⅝ | 15⅝ | Kellogg | 67⅝ | 67 | Sun Co | 37⅝ | 37⅝ |
| Campbell Sp | 58⅝ | 59⅝ | Kerr-McGee | 44⅞ | 45 | Sunst Bk | 21⅝ | 21⅝ |
| Cap Cities | 599 | 598 | Kimbly-Clrk | 73⅝ | 72⅝ | Super Valu | 27⅝ | 28⅛ |
| Capital HC | 45⅜ | 45⅜ | Knght-Rddr | 53⅝ | 53½ | SW Bell | 54⅝ | 54⅝ |
| Carolina | 44⅝ | 44½ | Lilly | 80⅝ | 79 | Syntex | 58⅝ | 57⅝ |
| Caterpillar | 64⅝ | 64⅝ | Limited | 22⅝ | 22⅜ | Sysco | 33⅝ | 33⅝ |
| CBS | 203⅝ | 202⅝ | Lin Brdcstg | 73⅝ | 72½ | Tandem | 24 | 23⅝ |
| Central SW | 39⅝ | 39⅝ | Lincln Nat | 58⅝ | 55½ | Tandy | 36⅝ | 36⅝ |
| Champion | 31⅝ | 31⅝ | Litton Ind | 74 | 75⅝ | Tele-comm | 14½ | 14½ |
| Chase Man | 23⅝ | 22⅝ | Lockheed | 35½ | 35⅝ | Teledyne | 27⅝ | 27½ |
| Chem Bnkg | 25⅝ | 25⅝ | Louis-Pac | 38 | 38⅝ | Temple-In | 35⅝ | 35⅝ |
| Chevron | 70⅝ | 70⅝ | Manu Hano | 36⅝ | 36⅝ | Tenneco | 67⅝ | 67½ |
| Chrysler | 16⅝ | 16⅝ | Marriott | 23½ | 24½ | Texaco | 57⅝ | 57⅝ |
| Chubb | 46⅝ | 46⅝ | Marsh Mclen | 76⅝ | 75⅝ | Texas Inst | 40⅝ | 39½ |
| Cigna | 51⅝ | 51⅝ | Martin Mar | 43 | 43⅝ | Texas Util | 35½ | 35½ |
| Citicorp | 22⅝ | 22⅜ | Masco | 24⅝ | 24⅝ | Textron | 24⅝ | 24⅝ |
| Clbrne Liz | 33 | 33 | May Dept | 56⅝ | 56⅝ | Time Wrnr | 104 | 104 |
| Clorox | 41⅝ | 42⅝ | Maytag | 17⅝ | 17⅝ | Times Mirr | 32 | 32 |
| Cnwlth Edis | 33 | 32⅝ | MCA | 65½ | 65⅝ | Timken | 34½ | 34⅝ |
| CNA Finl | 76⅝ | 76⅜ | McDnl Doug | 34⅝ | 35⅝ | Torchmark | 46½ | 46⅝ |
| Coastal | 33⅝ | 33⅝ | McDonalds | 35 | 35½ | Toys R Us | 47½ | 46⅝ |
| Coca-Cola | 44⅝ | 44⅜ | McGraw-Hill | 56⅝ | 56⅝ | Transam | 39⅝ | 39⅝ |
| Colgate-Pal | 66⅝ | 67⅝ | MCI Com | 41⅝ | 41 | Travelers | 30⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Columb Gas | 43⅝ | 43⅝ | Mead | 32⅝ | 33 | Tribune | 42⅝ | 42⅝ |
| Compaq | 120⅝ | 124 | Medtronic | 79⅝ | 79 | TRW | 49⅝ | 49⅝ |
| Conagra | 35⅝ | 33⅝ | Melville | 51⅝ | 51⅝ | Tyco Lab | 55 | 55 |
| Cons Edis | 24 | 23⅝ | Merck | 83⅝ | 83⅝ | UAL | 158⅝ | 156½ |
| Cons NG | 45⅝ | 45 | Merrl Lynch | 21⅝ | 21⅝ | Un Camp | 35⅝ | 36⅝ |
| Cons Rail | 48⅝ | 48⅝ | MM&M | 85⅝ | 85⅝ | Un Carbide | 19⅝ | 19½ |
| Cooper Ind | 42⅝ | 42⅝ | Mobil | 62⅝ | 62⅝ | Un Pacific | 72½ | 72⅝ |
| Corning | 47⅝ | 47⅝ | Monsanto | 48⅝ | 48⅝ | Unilever | 84 | 83⅝ |
| CPC Intl | 80⅝ | 80⅝ | Moore | 28⅝ | 28⅝ | Unisys | 14⅝ | 13⅝ |
| Crown Cork | 60⅝ | 60⅝ | Morgan | 38⅝ | 35⅝ | Unocal | 28⅝ | 28½ |
| CSX | 34⅝ | 34⅝ | Motorola | 87⅝ | 86⅝ | Upjohn | 42 | 41⅝ |
| Dana | 36⅝ | 36⅝ | Nat Medical | 37⅝ | 37⅝ | US West | n/a | n/a |
| Dayton-Hud | 73⅝ | 73½ | Natl Service | 27⅝ | 27⅝ | Usair Gp | 26⅝ | 26⅝ |
| Deere | 73⅝ | 73⅝ | Navistar | 4 | 4 | USF&G | 27⅝ | 27½ |
| Delta Air | 76⅝ | 75⅝ | NCNB | 37⅝ | 38⅝ | UST | 30⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Deluxe | 33⅝ | 32⅝ | NCR | 68⅝ | 68⅝ | USX | 32⅝ | 32⅝ |
| Detroit Ed | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | NED Bncp | 32⅝ | 31⅝ | Utd Tech | 59⅝ | 60½ |
| Digital Eq | 84 | 85⅝ | Newmnt Min | 42⅝ | 43½ | Utd Telcm | 38⅝ | 38⅝ |
| Dillard | 87⅝ | 86⅝ | Nwgr Mhwk | 13⅝ | 13⅝ | VF | 24⅝ | 25 |
| Disney | 131 | 131⅝ | Nike | 76⅝ | 76⅝ | Wal-Mart | 62⅝ | 62 |
| Dominion | 44⅝ | 44⅝ | NL Indstrs | 16⅝ | 16⅝ | Walgreen | 47⅝ | 47½ |
| Donnelley | 47½ | 47 | Nordstorm | 36⅝ | 36⅝ | Waste Mgmt | 41⅝ | 41 |
| Dover | 40⅝ | 40 | Norflk Sthn | 44⅝ | 44⅝ | Wells Fargo | 78 | 78 |
| Dow Chem | 61⅝ | 61 | Norton | 66⅝ | 66⅝ | Westg Elec | 37⅝ | 37½ |
| Dow Jones | 25⅝ | 25½ | Norwest | 21⅝ | 21⅝ | Weyerher | 26 | 26½ |
| Dresser Ind | 30⅝ | 30⅝ | Nthn St Pwr | 36⅝ | 36⅝ | Whirlpool | 29⅝ | 29⅝ |
| Du Pont | 38⅝ | 38⅝ | Nthn Telcm | 28⅝ | 28⅝ | Whitman | 27⅝ | 27⅝ |
| Duke Pwr | 56⅝ | 55⅝ | NY Times | 25 | 25⅝ | Winn-Dixie | 67⅝ | 66⅝ |
| Dun Bradst | 46⅝ | 46 | Nynex | 84 | 84⅝ | Woolworth | 34 | 34½ |
| East Kodak | 41⅝ | 41⅝ | Occid Petrl | 25⅝ | 25⅝ | Wrigley | 55⅝ | 55⅝ |
| Eaton | 63⅝ | 62⅝ | Ohio Edi | 20 | 19⅝ | Wrnr-Lamb | 64⅝ | 63⅝ |
| Emerson El | 41⅝ | 41⅝ | Oracle Sys | 22⅝ | 23 | Xerox | 47⅝ | 47⅝ |

STOCK MARKET

# Strong pound helps shares close account on firm note

By MICHAEL CLARK




A STRONG pound and a firm start to trading on Wall Street enabled the London equity market to end the two-week trading account on a firm note.

However, there was little evidence to suggest that the big City institutions were having a change of heart and were prepared to chase share prices sharply higher as their second quarter started to draw to a close. Turnover was low, and only 407 million shares had been traded by 4pm.

The latest trade figures provided few surprises, and the deficit of £1.3 billion was in line with most forecasts. The FT-SE 100 index recovered after a hesitant start, but was below its best levels in late trading, up 7.8 points at 2,378.1. The FT index of 30 shares rose 5.9 to 1,914.2.

Government securities drew strength from the pound's continued buoyancy and the trade figures to score gains of £½ at the longer end.

**Heavy turnover in Hanson shares was reported overnight, with more than 20 million shares traded in american depository receipts. The price continued towards its peak of 249p with a rise of ½p to 243p amid claims that the group is looking for a suitable bid target.**

**Wellcome** rallied 25p to 625p, with investors reassured by reports that reduced levels of dosage in Retrovir, its anti-Aids drug, were unlikely to hit profits.

**Parkfield** continued to reel from this week's profits warning. It fell 36p to 153p.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd became the latest firm to reduce profit estimates for the big four high street banks due to the growing problem of bad debt. Julian Robins has cut his forecast for **Barclays Bank** from £1.6 billion to £1.48 billion, **Lloyds Bank** from £968 million to £925 million, **Midland** by £132 million to £390 million and **National Westminster** from £1.47 billion to £1.25 billion.

However, this had little impact on prices, with Barclays unchanged at 403p, Midland 2p lighter at 296p, and NatWest 4p better at 336½p, after raising its stake in Banco Natwest from 83.7 per cent to 99.4 per cent. Lloyds also rose 3p to 289½p, despite reports that a court in Pisa had frozen all the group's assets in Italy, totalling £468 million, after a private injunction was taken out against the bank.

Confirmation of the proposed merger between Philip Morris, the American food and tobacco group, and Jacobs Suchard, of Switzerland, in a deal worth £2 billion did little for shares of British food manufacturers. Among takeover favourites, **Cadbury Schweppes** eased 4p to 360p, **United Biscuits** lost 7p to 367p and **Ranks Hovis McDougall** dipped 2p to 354p, while **Unigate** closed all-square at 316p.

**Rothmans International** remained confident ahead of next week's full-year figures, expected to show pre-tax profits up from £327 million to £390 million. The shares closed 24p stronger at a high of 772½p.

The construction industry received a much-needed boost from Kleinwort Benson, the broker, which has turned bullish of the sector for the first time in two years.

Kleinwort reckons that construction is likely to recover strongly once interest rates start to fall, but believes that corporate results over the next few months are likely to make grim reading.

Top of its list of preferred stocks are **Costain**, up 8p at 282½p, **Higgs and Hill**, unchanged at 352p, **John Laing**, up 8p to 291p, **Westbury**, up 3p to 191p, and **George Wimpey**, up 7p to 245p.

News of a surge in the number of first-time buyers boosted housebuilders, with **Barratt Developments** 2p better at 177p, **Beazer** 7p up at 166p and **Persimmon** 7p higher at 171p.

In the stores sector, **Storehouse** lost an early lead to close unchanged at 129p. Michael Julien, the chief executive, spoke to analysts on Thursday, but does not appear to have said much to excite them.

Next continued to lose ground, easing 1p to a low of 56p. The market is becoming increasingly gloomy about prospects for the fashion industry.

Selective support lifted **Great Universal Stores** 9p to £10.62, **Kingfisher** 8p to 365p, **Marks and Spencer** 2p to 240p, and **Burton Group** 3p to 158p. **Boots** rose 3p to 299p and **WH Smith 'A'** 3p to 358p.

Morgan Stanley, the American securities house, told clients this week that the Boots and WH Smith joint DIY venture tidied up many loose ends, enabling them to concentrate on their core activities. It rates Boots and WH Smith as buys.

**J Sainsbury** responded positively to a bullish circular from Hoare Govett. The broker has been comparing group sales with the corresponding period last year and reports further signs of improvement. Heavy options activity led **Asda Group**, the supermarket chain, 4p higher to 120½p.

**Porter Chadburn rose 1p to 78p after a buy recommendation from UBS Phillips & Drew, the broker. The shares have underperformed by 30 per cent owing to a fall in profits at the textile division. But P&D says full-year figures will show a 20 per cent growth in earnings.**

**MB Group** beat a hasty retreat, losing 12p at 210p after Cazenove, its broker, cut £10 million from its forecast of pre-tax profits of £135 million for the current year.

## RECENT ISSUES

**EQUITIES**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Abtrust New Euro (100p) | 101 | |
| Argos Plc | 230½ | +½ |
| Atlantis Resources | | |
| Bioplan Hldgs | 24 | |
| Buckingham Nw | 66 | |
| Cahill May (55p) | 55 | |
| Castle Cairn (50p) | 45 | |
| Courtaulds Textiles | 272 | −1 |
| Dakota Gp Nw | 38 | −1 |
| Dartmoor Inv Tst (100p) | 99 | |
| EFM Java Tst | 49 | +1 |
| F&C German | 125 | −1 |
| First Ireland (100p) | 89 | |
| Fleming Euro IT | 98 | |
| French Prop Tst | 99 | |
| German IT | 90 | |
| Henderson Highland (100p) | 100½ | −½ |
| Invergordon | 149 | +4½ |
| Leading Le New | 24 | |
| Levercrest | 118 | |
| Malaysia Capital | 28¼ | |
| Mrtn Currie Euro (100p) | 108 | |
| Midland Radio | 134 | −3 |
| Nthn Investors | 199 | |
| Proteus Intl | 96 | |
| QS Hldgs (100p) | 127 | −1 |
| Siam Select (100p) | 101 | −1 |
| Torday & Carlisle (155p) | 176 | +1 |
| Utd Uniform | 123 | |
| Venturi Inv Tst | 10 | −½ |
| Wig Tpe App | 213 | −1 |

See main listing for Water shares

**RIGHTS ISSUES**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ald Leis N/P | 10 | |
| Amber Day N/P | 3½ | |
| Ashley Group N/P | 14 | |
| Caldwell N/P | | |
| Cater Allen N/P | 49 | |
| EW Fact N/P | 53 | +10 |
| Laporte N/P | 136 | −2 |
| SI Group N/P | 6 | −1 |
| XCL Sunrise N/P | ½ | |
| Xtra-Vision N/P | 3 | −1 |

*(Issue price in brackets).*

## MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:

| | |
|---|---|
| A McAlpine | 352p (+9p) |
| Tarmac | 272½p (+10p) |
| Watts Blake | 431½p (+13p) |
| Wellcome | 625p (+25p) |
| Granada | 254½p (+10p) |
| British Aerospace | 536½p (+13p) |
| Amersham | 340p (+17p) |
| WPP | 609p (+9p) |
| Kingfisher | 365p (+8p) |
| Glynwed | 286½p (+8p) |
| Costain | 282½p (+8p) |
| J Laing | 291p (+8p) |

FALLS:

| | |
|---|---|
| Undare | 280p (−50p) |
| Standard Chart | 472½p (−10p) |
| Harland Simon | 560p (−10p) |
| Elys Wimbledon | 965p (−10p) |
| MB Group | 210p (−12p) |
| Parkfield | 152½p (−36p) |
| Macarthy | 191½p (−8p) |

Closing prices

## MAJOR INDICES

| | |
|---|---|
| New York: | |
| Dow Jones | 2909.16 (+7.43)* |
| Tokyo: | |
| Nikkei Average | 31694.57 (−392.70) |
| Hong Kong: | |
| Hang Seng | 3250.44 (+4.23) |
| Amsterdam: | |
| CBS Tendency | 121.0 (+0.7) |
| Sydney: AO | 1512.5 (+7.0) |
| Frankfurt: DAX | 1872.92 (+9.35) |
| Brussels: | |
| General | 6249.47 (−13.89) |
| Paris: CAC | 542.79 (+3.66) |
| Zurich: SKA Gen | n/a |
| London: | |
| FT-A All-Share | 1171.98 (+3.29) |
| FT-"500" | 1288.04 (+4.24) |
| FT. Gold Mines | 171.0 (+0.7) |
| FT. Fixed interest | 88.67 (+0.23) |
| FT. Govt Secs | 80.39 (+0.20) |
| Bargains | 28472 |
| SEAQ Volume | 497.8m |
| USM (Datastream) | 138.12 (+0.30) |

*Denotes latest trading price

# James Latham slips

TAXABLE profits at James Latham, the family-controlled timber merchants group, fell from £2.99 million to £2.43 million for the year to end-March. Earnings per share fell from 38.79p to 29.13p. A final dividend of 7p takes the total to 11.25p, up from 10.75p. Turnover rose 7 per cent to £63.2 million but difficult trading conditions, particularly in southern England, reduced trading profits to £4.26 million, from £4.61 million.

## LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

| FT-SE INDEX (*2378) | 2200 | 2250 | 2300 | 2350 | 2400 | 2450 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Calls** | | | | | | |
| Jun | 199 | 150 | 108 | 54 | 20 | 6 |
| Jul | 225 | 180 | 136 | 105 | 70 | 44 |
| Aug | 260 | 207 | 167 | 130 | 100 | 74 |
| Sep | 275 | 233 | 193 | 157 | 125 | 95 |
| Dec | 323 | – | 245 | – | 178 | – |
| **Puts** | | | | | | |
| Jun | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 29 | 76 |
| Jul | 8 | 13 | 22 | 34 | 52 | 83 |
| Aug | 15 | 20 | 33 | 47 | 67 | 88 |
| Sep | 23 | 30 | 37 | 53 | 78 | 100 |
| Dec | 33 | – | 58 | – | 90 | – |

June 22, 1990 Total: 33488 Calls 13332 Puts 10084 FT-SE: Calls 2588 Puts 4839
*Underlying security price.

## UNLISTED SECURITIES

[illegible]

■ Ex dividend ■ Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

## INVESTMENT TRUSTS

[illegible]

## THIRD MARKET

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## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Exchange index compared with 1985 was up at 91.2 (day's range 90.6-91.2).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for June 22

| | Range | Close | 1 month | 3 month |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New Yrk | 1.7170-1.7310 | 1.7300-1.7310 | 0.92-0.91pr | 2.72-2.70pr |
| Montrl | 2.0183-2.0443 | 2.0406-2.0443 | 0.26-0.21pr | 0.44-0.36pr |
| Amstrdm | 3.2443-3.2684 | 3.2647-3.2684 | 1½-1⅛pr | 5⅝-5pr |
| Brussels | 59.06-59.70 | 59.49-59.70 | 26-23pr | 77-72pr |
| Copnhgn | 10.9579-11.0603 | 11.0366-11.0603 | 4⅝-3⅝pr | 12-10⅝pr |
| Dublin | 1.0736-1.0859 | 1.0799-1.0819 | 41-35pr | 121-111pr |
| Frankft | 2.8840-2.9020 | 2.8978-2.9012 | 1⅝-1⅛pr | 4⅝-4⅛pr |
| Lisbon | 252.31-254.68 | 253.66-254.68 | 33-14pr | 3-27ds |
| Madrid | 177.19-178.71 | 178.17-178.71 | 7pr-par | 14-4pr |
| Milan | 2113.20-2130.11 | 2126.28-2130.11 | 7-6pr | 19-17pr |
| Oslo | 11.0892-11.1859 | 11.1621-11.1859 | 3⅛-3⅝pr | 9⅝-9⅝pr |
| Paris | 9.6622-9.7511 | 9.7351-9.7494 | 4⅛-3⅝pr | 11⅝-11⅛pr |
| Stckhlm | 10.4299-10.5206 | 10.4972-10.5206 | 2⅝-2⅛pr | 6½-6pr |
| Tokyo | 265.88-268.28 | 267.96-268.28 | 1⅝-1⅛pr | 4⅝-4⅛pr |
| Vienna | 20.2735-20.4392 | 20.4101-20.4392 | 10⅝-9⅝pr | 31½-29⅝pr |
| Zurich | 2.4304-2.4443 | 2.4384-2.4416 | 1⅛-1⅛pr | 3⅝-3⅛pr |

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina austral* | 8623.21-8661.26 |
| Australia dollar | 2.2006-2.2050 |
| Bahrain dinar | 0.6435-0.6515 |
| Brazil cruzado* | 95.0455-96.1213 |
| Cyprus pound | 0.80-0.81 |
| Finland marka | 6.7715-6.8385 |
| Greece drachma | 280.15-283.35 |
| Hong Kong dollar | 13.4510-13.4606 |
| India rupee | 29.80-30.10 |
| Kuwait dinar KD | 0.4990-0.5050 |
| Malaysia ringgit | 4.6803-4.6848 |
| Mexico peso | 4800-4900 |
| New Zealand dollar | 2.9482-2.9551 |
| Saudi Arabia riyal | 6.3990-6.4810 |
| Singapore dollar | 3.1827-3.1884 |
| S Africa rand (fin) | 6.6957-6.8321 |
| S Africa rand (com) | 4.6025-4.6105 |
| U A E dirham | 6.2650-6.3450 |

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Extel and Barclays Bank GTS

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ireland | 1.5955-1.5970 | Denmark | 6.3830-6.3880 | Italy | 1229.9-1230.9 |
| Singapore | 1.8422-1.8432 | W Germany | 1.6790-1.6797 | Belgium (Com) | 34.42-34.47 |
| Malaysia | 2.7090-2.7100 | Switzerland | 1.4142-1.4152 | Hong Kong | 7.7855-7.7865 |
| Australia | 1.2738-1.2755 | Netherlands | 1.8890-1.8900 | Portugal | 146.85-147.10 |
| Canada | 1.1760-1.1770 | France | 5.6325-5.6375 | Spain | 103.25-103.35 |
| Sweden | 6.0730-6.0780 | Japan | 154.68-154.78 | Austria | 11.80-11.81 |
| Norway | 6.4480-6.4530 | | | | |

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank GTS and Extel.

## MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 15 Finance Hse 15½
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 15½ Low 14⅝ Week fixed: 14⅝
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 14 19/32 3 mth – 14 11/32
Selling: 2 mth – 14 7/16 3 mth – 14 5/16
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 14⅝-14 9/16 2 mth: 14½-14 13/32 3 mth: 14⅝-14 11/32 6 mth 13 25/32-⅞
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 15⅛ 2 mth: 15⅛ 3 mth: 15 6 mth 14 17/32
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 14⅞ close 15⅛
1 week: 14 15/16-⅞ 1 mth: 14 15/16-14⅞ 3 mth: 14 27/32-14⅞
6 mth: 14 31/32-⅞ 9 mth: 14⅞-14 13/16 12 mth: 14⅞-14⅝
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 14⅞ 7 day: 14⅞ 1 mth: 14⅞
3 mth: 14⅞ 6 mth: 14⅞ 12 mth: 14 11/16
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: 14 29/32-14⅞
3 mth: 14 25/32-⅞ 6 mth: 14⅞-14⅞ 12 mth 14⅝-14½
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 8.25-8.20
3 mth: 8.27-8.22 6 mth: 8.37-8.32 12 mth 8.55-8.50
Building Society CDs (%)
1 mth: 14 29/32-14½ 2 mth: 14 15/16-14⅞ 3 mth: 14 15/16-⅞
6 mth: 14 29/32-14⅞ 9 mth: 14 13/16-14⅞ 12 mth: 14 11/16-½

TREASURY BILLS

Applcts: £2.585m allotted: £500m
Bids: £96.43% received: 82%
Last week: £96.42% received: 65%
Avge rate: £14.3152% last wk £14.3572%
Next week: £500m replace £n/a

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

| Currency | 7 day | 1 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dollar: | 8⅛-8 | 8⅛-8⅛ | 8 5/16-8 3/16 | 8 7/16-8 5/16 |
| Call: 8⅛-7⅞ | | | | |
| Deutschemark: | 7 15/16-7⅞ | 8 1/16-7⅞ | 8⅛-8 1/16 | 8 9/16-8 7/16 |
| Call: 8-7 | | | | |
| French Franc: | 9⅝-9 11/16 | 9⅝-9 11/16 | 10 1/16-9⅞ | 10⅛-1/16 |
| Call: 9⅛-8⅞ | | | | |
| Swiss Franc: | 9⅛-8⅞ | 9-8 13/16 | 9-8 13/16 | 8⅞-8 9/16 |
| Call: 9⅛-8⅞ | | | | |
| Yen: | 7 9/16-7⅞ | 7 9/16-7⅞ | 7⅛-7 9/16 | 7 9/16-7⅞ |
| Call: 7⅛-6⅞ | | | | |

GOLD

BULLION: Per ounce
Open: $349.25-349.75 Close: $348.50-349.00
High: $349.50-350.00 Low: $347.50-348.00

COINS: Per coin (Ex VAT)
Britannia: $357.00-362.00 (£206.50-209.50)
Krugerrand: $348.00-351.00 (£201.00-203.00)
Mapleleaf (1/1oz): $357.00-362.00 (£206.50-209.50)
American Eagles: $357.00-362.00 (£206.50-209.50)
New Sovereigns: $82.00-84.00 (£47.50-49.00)
Old Sovereigns: $82.00-84.00 (£47.50-49.00)
Platinum: $476.45 (£275.65)
Palladium: $113.75 (£65.80)
Silver: $4.82-4.84 (£2.785-2.800)

## LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

| | Open | High | Low | Close | Vol |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **FT-SE 100** | | | | | Previous open interest 28338 |
| Jun 90 | 2389.0 | 2410.0 | 2380.0 | 2393.0 | 3290 |
| Sep 90 | 2454.0 | 2465.0 | 2448.0 | 2457.0 | 873 |
| **Three Month Sterling** | | | | | Previous open interest 163392 |
| Sep 90 | 85.41 | 85.47 | 85.40 | 85.43 | 12905 |
| Dec 90 | 86.17 | 86.28 | 86.16 | 86.17 | 13987 |
| **Three Month Eurodollar** | | | | | Previous open interest 29185 |
| Sep 90 | 91.72 | 91.75 | 91.71 | 91.73 | 2012 |
| Dec 90 | 91.63 | 91.68 | 91.63 | 91.65 | 184 |
| **Three Month Euro DM** | | | | | Previous open interest 54803 |
| Sep 90 | 91.50 | 91.54 | 91.48 | 91.49 | 7215 |
| Dec 90 | 91.21 | 91.24 | 91.19 | 91.20 | 1888 |
| **Three month ECU** | | | | | Previous open interest 2382 |
| Sep 90 | 89.70 | 89.70 | 89.70 | 89.70 | 25 |
| Dec 90 | | | | 89.720 | |
| **US Treasury Bond** | | | | | Previous open interest 5998 |
| Sep 90 | 93-15 | 93-21 | 93-12 | 93-14 | 1427 |
| **Long Gilt** | | | | | Previous open interest 33184 |
| Sep 90 | 85-18 | 86-30 | 85-15 | 86-05 | 42874 |
| **Japanese Govt Bond** | | | | | Previous open interest 782 |
| Sep 90 | 94.87 | 94.93 | 94.85 | 94.90 | 86 |
| **German Govt Bond** | | | | | Previous open interest 62887 |
| Sep 90 | 82.45 | 82.80 | 82.44 | 82.67 | 32426 |
| Dec 90 | 82.32 | 82.58 | 82.31 | 82.50 | 1968 |

## COMMODITIES

London Oil Reports

Short covering ahead of the weekend brought prices back to where they had been at the beginning of the week. Most products posted small gains in thin trading.

| CRUDE OILS/assessed ($/BBL FOB) | | |
|---|---|---|
| Brent Phys | 15.30 | +50 |
| 15 day Jul | 16.05 | +40 |
| 15 day Aug | 16.05 | +45 |
| WTI Jul | 17.35 | +65 |
| WTI Aug | 17.85 | +45 |

PRODUCTS Buy/sell $/MT. Spot CIF NW Euro - prompt delivery

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Prem Gas .15 | +1 | 218-220 | +1 |
| Gasoil EEC | +2 | 144-145 | +2 |
| Non 1H Jul | +1 | 146-147 | +1 |
| Non 1H Aug | +1 | 147-148 | +1 |
| 3.5 Fuel Oil | | 81-83 | |
| Naphtha | +2 | 140-142 | +2 |

IPE FUTURES

| GAS OIL | AMT Futures |
|---|---|
| Jul | 144.75-44.25 |
| Aug | 145.50-45.25 |
| Sep | 147.75-47.50 |
| Oct | 151.25-50.75 |
| Nov | 153.25-52.75 |
| Dec | 155.00-54.50 |
| Jan | 154.75-54.00 |
| Vol | 4200 |
| **BRENT** | **AMT Futures** |
| Aug | 16.01-15.95 |
| Sep | 16.41-16.35 |
| Vol | 10320 |

BIFFEX

GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)
Jun 90 Hi 1130-1130 Low Close 1133
Jul 90 Hi 1020-1000 Low Close 1015
Oct 90 Hi 1090-1085 Low Close 1085
Jan 91 Hi 1110-1090 Low Close 1106
Vol 292 lots Open Interest 5019
Dry cargo index 1152 −7

LONDON POTATO FUTURES (£/tonne)

| Mth | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | 89.9 | 90.0 |
| Feb | 114.0 | 113.5 |
| Apr | 123.0 | 126.5 |
| May | 137.0 | 139.0 |
| | | Vol 140 |

LONDON FOX

COCOA: Jul 734-733, Sep 758-757, Dec 790-788, Mar 822-821. AMT Futures: May 845-844, Jul 863-862, Sep 884-883, Vol 10157
COFFEE: Jul 564-563, Sep 580-579, Nov 600-598, Jan 618-617. AMT Futures: Mar 635-632, May 655-653, Jul 670-668, Vol 5335
SUGAR FOB (C Czarnikow): Aug 260.6-79.6, Oct 276.6-76.4, Dec 261.8-67.0, Mar 267.0-66.5, May 267.0-66.5, Aug 266.2-66.0, Vol: 2039

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
WHEAT close (£/t) Vol 147: Sp 112.05 Nv 116.05 Ja 120.00 Mr 123.50 My 126.80 Jn 128.50
BARLEY close (£/t) Vol 36: Jn 110.75 Sp 115.10 Nv 118.25 Ja 121.30 Mr 122.60
SOYABEAN (AMT Futures): Aug 113.0-16.0, Oct 116.0-18.5, Dec 121.0-25.0
Vol 35

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Official prices/volume previous day — Rudolf Wolff

| (£/tonne) | Cash | 3 month | Vol |
|---|---|---|---|
| Copper Gde A | 1475.0-1476.0 | 1454.5-1455.5 | 490325 |
| Lead | 490.5-491.5 | 495.5-496.0 | 47800 |
| Zinc Spec Hi* | 1694.0-1695.0 | 1620.0-1621.0 | 117550 |
| Tin* | 6140.0-6142.0 | 6260.0-6265.0 | 5280 |
| Aluminium Hi* | 1558.0-1559.0 | 1579.0-1580.0 | 271650 |
| Nickel* | 8770.0-8775.0 | 8780.0-8785.0 | 17502 |

† (Cents per Troy oz). * ($ per tonne)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES (£/kg)

| Live Pig Contract | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Jun | 139.0 | 139.3 |
| Aug | 123.8 | 125.0 |
| Oct | 123.0 | 123.0 |
| Nov | 119.5 | 119.0 |
| **Live Cattle Contract** | | |
| Jun | unq. | 107.0 |
| Aug | unq. | 115.0 |
| Oct | unq. | 115.0 |

Vol Pig-3 Cattle-0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Av'ge fatstock prices at representative markets on June 22

| (/kg lw) | Pig | Sheep | Cattle |
|---|---|---|---|
| GB (p) | 108.29 | 151.31 | 103.93 |
| GB (+/−) | −0.69 | −16.40 | −4.38 |
| Eng/Wal (%) | −15.0 | −38.9 | −7.4 |
| Eng/Wal (p) | 108.29 | 151.92 | 102.13 |
| Eng/Wal (+/−) | −0.69 | −15.87 | −4.50 |
| Scotland (%) | n/a | −8.2 | −15.1 |
| Scotland (p) | n/a | 146.40 | 111.20 |
| Scotland (+/−) | n/a | −20.40 | −3.35 |

* Estimated dead carcase weight

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# Optimism over exhibitions as report shows 6% growth

By Derek Harris, industrial editor

EXHIBITIONS, which have grown over the past decade to account for nearly a tenth of all advertising spending, comprise an industry worth £1.34 billion in 1989.

This is a 6 per cent increase on 1988, when a survey of the industry was launched by the Exhibition Industry Federation (EIF), formed in 1988 to drum up more exhibitors and visitors from abroad.

Spending has thus fallen slightly behind inflation, implying a flat performance when economic pressures were growing. Nevertheless the EIF report takes an optimistic view of the industry's performance because of a greater number of exhibitions, more visitors and increased overseas participation.

Between 1984 and 1988 there was a near 40 per cent growth in the number of exhibitions in Britain, from 468 to 651. Much of this sprang from the needs of new, high technology industries whose growth has been a feature of the past decade. Last year there was another 8.6 per cent increase, to 707.

There were 10.6 million exhibition visitors last year, up from 9.5 million the year before. The proportion of overseas exhibitors at trade shows in Britain rose to 17.8 per cent last year from 16.6 per cent in 1988, while overseas visitors to exhibitions in Britain rose 20 per cent to 233,000.

The increases are especially good news for London where six exhibition centres account for 41 per cent of bookings by exhibitors. Earl's Court and Olympia, part of the P&O group, lead the London venues, which also include the Wembley centre and Alexandra Palace.

Earl's Court and Olympia vie with Birmingham's National Exhibition Centre (NEC) for the top position nationally. They account for 44 per cent of exhibitor attendances.

The battle for more overseas exhibitors and visitors seems to be starting to move in Britain's favour.

The British exhibitions industry has long watched while many of its key competitors in mainland Europe have benefited from public sector funds being pumped into new facilities.

The continental view has been that it is worth public sector investment in new exhibition and conference space because of the overall impact on regional and national economies of the large numbers of visitors attracted by events.

Now Britain is making more impact as existing facilities are upgraded and new ones opened, in the provinces as well as in London. In the international ratings, Britain now ranks third in Europe behind France and West Germany, having overtaken Italy during the past five years.

There have been several openings in the provinces, from the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre in Glasgow to a number on the south coast, including Bournemouth and Torquay. Birmingham's NEC is being extended.

# ABI tackles the nitty-gritty of directors' role and duties

KENNETH FLEET

Ownership of quoted companies is already concentrated in the hands of insurance companies, pension funds, unit and investment trusts and investment banks. The number of private shareholders may rise but the investing institutions' percentage of the equity will grow and so will their power. Putting it around the other way, companies will become steadily more dependent on their institutional shareholders for equity capital, support in contested takeover bids and constructive help in critical management situations.

Dependency is not a state relished by strong chief executives who already feel that fund managers wield too much power with too little responsibility and look no further than the short-term profit they can make buying and selling stock. For their part, institutions insist that their ultimate responsibility is to their own shareholders, pensioners and policyholders and not to the directors and employees of any company in which they happen to own shares. They must always take the best deal they are offered even if it means selling a company down the river. These are the extreme views and the truth is somewhere in the middle.

The debate over short-termism is not new, only the vehemence with which it is now conducted; but this week it was given a novel twist by the Association of British Insurers. Many attempts have been made, not least by the Bank of England, to foster a better practical understanding between companies and their major shareholders, but I have seen none grittier, or more direct, than the ABI's discussion paper on the role and duties of directors. It is bold; it goes to the heart of the subject; it could lead to a set of guidelines for all institutional shareholders, not only insurance companies within the ABI; and if that were to happen it would mean, presumably, that the fund managers' own companies would adhere to the same rules and voluntary codes of behaviour expected of others.

The paper deals mainly with the appointment and removal of directors, the duties of non-executive directors, directors' service contracts and emoluments, their borrowing powers and management buyouts. A clearer understanding of what constituted best practice in these areas, it is suggested, would enable institutional shareholders to give a more coherent and consistent response when companies solicit their views and their votes.

Despite the Companies Act and Stock Exchange listing requirements, the make-up of boards and their approach to remuneration reveals "a rich variety of practice". Good practice, the paper argues, would provide for a maximum, not only a minimum, number of directors, one-third of whom would need to seek re-election, by rotation, each year. It would also require a separate chairman and chief executive, unless a board committee had the specific authority to review the performance of the man, or woman, who combined both roles.

If the intention is, as it should be, to have an effective board, and not a debating chamber or a machine for rubber-stamping decisions of the executives, the number of directors should be kept to a sensible maximum. Insisting on a chairman and a separate chief executive is altogether a trickier business.

Normally, in companies above a certain size, the work load and the responsibilities justify having two people. Moreover, the talents required to be a good chairman of a major public company are not the same as the talents of a good chief executive. If the chairman is an executive chairman, his relationship with the chief executive, which will be crucial, will not always be easy. And if the outstanding figure in the company is the chief executive he may, not unreasonably, want to be seen by the media and the world at large as the chairman who wears the crown.

Some of our best companies, ICI and Grand Metropolitan to name but two, have one man doing both jobs but I think they should be the exceptions. There are two duties that a real chairman ought to perform. One is to concern himself, at the appropriate time, with the chief executive's successor. To do that he needs to be independent and not merely a puppet. The other is to think as if he were the shareholders' chief representative on the board.

Although such a responsibility cannot be formalised, I know of several chairmen whom shareholders can trust to balance, when it comes to the crunch, their legitimate interests with the concerns of management and employees.

The ABI puts forward the conventional arguments for non-executive directors — no less persuasive for being familiar; would like again to see a formal limit put on directors' borrowing powers; and all information given to buyers in management buyouts also given to shareholders.

The paper is particularly strong on service contracts and emoluments. For example, it proposes a three-year limit on rolling contracts and a limit, in the articles of association, on directors' fees. The preoccupation with directors' pay is a national blood sport, indulged in, among others, by investment managers whose own pay in contrast is a pittance. That said there is no legitimate reason for avoiding complete disclosure. If the chief executive is deemed by the remuneration committee of non-executive directors to be worth the money, let him stand up and count it.

# Hearts chief sticks to his goal

By Martin Waller

JOHN CHAPMAN

Wallace Mercer: battling for the hearts of Hibs supporters

DURING what was not one of the best weeks for Scottish football, one of the game's leading lights found himself south of the border arguing its merits with the hard-headed Sassenachs.

Wallace Mercer, the chairman of Heart of Midlothian football club, is behind the bid for Hibernian, Edinburgh's other senior club. Mr Mercer, aged 43, is a man of many guises. He is a successful property developer turned media personality, whose shows for Radio Forth, titled the Wallace Mercer Hour, feature music and interviews with the great and the good.

For football supporters in the Scottish capital, he is either trying to save the game from itself or trying to wipe out forever the 115-year-old green and white colours of Hibs in favour of the maroon and white of Hearts. It depends which team you support.

Mr Mercer, who has been chairman of Hearts for the past nine years, is the man behind the £6.1 million hostile bid for Hibs, whose Third Market quote makes it one of only three British clubs with public shareholders.

The attempted merger of the two clubs has prompted the kind of friction, including vandalism and death threats, that is normally associated with the Celtic-Rangers rift in Glasgow. Within hours of the news, Hibs supporters headed for their stadium and to protest against the move.

Mr Mercer is unapologetic. "We don't have the market to sustain all the clubs, given the requirements now of the Taylor report [into ground safety]. Why should this industry be any different from any other? Competition is good for the industry."

Whatever Hibs' performance on the pitch its financial record has been dire. The company came to the Third Market at 55p in late-1988. Within months it made a rights issue at 60p to fund a disastrous foray into the West of England drinks trade. This year its share price did not rise above 36p until Hearts' June 40p-a-share bid.

If he is successful, Mr Mercer says he plans to redevelop both clubs' stadiums — at Tynecastle and Easter Road — as housing projects, building a new 40,000-seat ground on the outskirts of the city. The district council has indicated that it will not necessarily rubber-stamp his schemes.

The merged clubs would have total debts of £13 million, necessitating a loan facility from the Bank of Scotland, and would have to move fast to remain viable. "The bank wouldn't have supported Hearts in putting up this proposal if it didn't have a substantial business plan," claims the Hearts chairman.

Mr Mercer's earlier media ventures include an appearance on page 3 of *The Sun* and a BBC TV programme which featured him with an odd assortment of business friends. He also wrote a book about soccer, but says he is now unable to remember its title

Mr Mercer is similarly vague about his plans following the almost certain outcome of the bid struggle, a failure to gain acceptances above the 75 per cent level he has set himself.

David Duff, the Hibs chairman, has a 13 per cent stake in the club and two businessmen have more than 7 per cent between them. Neither Tom Farmer of Kwikfit, the tyre and exhaust company, nor Tom Harrison of Norfolk House Group, which is invoved in property and petrol stations, will be supporting the Hearts bid.

The bidders can hardly hope to pick up many votes on the Hibs terraces, where another 10 per cent of the company is held.

Mr Mercer, however, claims Hibs was lost to the people of Edinburgh with the rights issue which brought in a host of financial institutions.

"Romantic idealism doesn't in itself win the league or give you a winning team," says Mr Mercer. "Some of the dyed-in-the-wool Hibs supporters wouldn't cross the road to watch my team — or whatever is created out of it. But their sons will."

# Offering on altar of haute cuisine

Shareholders can be difficult, as Nico Ladenis has discovered and Geoffrey Maitland Smith, chairman of Sears, may be about to find out.

I have no knowledge whether the loyalty and far-sightedness of institutional shareholders in Sears will soon be put to the test, but I do know that speculation of a bid involving Elliott Bernerd, recent buyer of Wentworth and half of Laing Properties, is persistent enough for Mr Maitland Smith and Michael Pickard, the chief executive, to embark on a round of measuring potential shareholder loyalties.

Mr Ladenis, who sometimes appears in gossip columns as a temperamental figure, has a different problem. One of the best, and arguably the best, chef in London, he has found out the hard way that creative talent of an artistic nature should not be put in the public company mixer.

Like Richard Branson (Virgin) and Andrew Lloyd Webber (Really Useful) he wants to turn Chez Nico Restaurants plc into a private company. He also wants to buy out outside shareholders in order to be free to run his own business.

Chez Nico Restaurants, set up five years ago under the Business Expansion Scheme and 35 per cent owned by the Ladenis family, has had a chequered career.

The company owned the freehold of the Battersea Chez Nico restaurant and the restaurant at Shinfield, near Reading, where Mr Ladenis sought to earn his third Michelin rosette.

He failed, at considerable cost. Both freeholds had to be sold (Sir David Knapley, the solicitor, purchased the Shinfield restuarant) to cover losses. The long road back from disaster began in Rochester Row, Victoria, and has continued with Chez Nico in Great Portland Street.

The shares, subscribed five years at a pound each, were valued by Finnies, the company's auditors, this year at 10p each (for a holding of 2.5 per cent). Management accounts for the six months to November 11 showed a small loss on a turnover of £816,000. Mr Ladenis and his wife, Dinah-Jane, are offering other shareholders 40p a share, which allowing for tax relief of 60p under the Business Expansion Scheme, is a simple, unsophisticated equivalent to the original offer price.

But how do you value talent not sitting on freeholds and operating in the mercurial restaurant business, especially when Mr Ladenis, clearly an unhappy man, has not signed his service contract with the company? I think you swallow hard, ask for a little more, take what you are offered and regard the "sacrifice" as an offering on the altar of haute cuisine.

By the way has any reader had first-hand experience of a Business Expansion Scheme that has made real money for the shareholders and not merely for the promoters and professional advisers?

# Courtaulds chief takes over at B-A

By Our City Staff

SIR John Harvey-Jones is quitting as chairman of Burns-Anderson, the recruitment and financial services group.

His three-year contract is ended but he will continue as a non-executive director. Mike Woodhouse, deputy chairman of Courtaulds, is to become non-executive chairman.

Three directors will be appointed, reflecting B-A's growing role in recruitment. Gerry Mason and Peter Scott of B-A's technical staff recruitment offshoot, Morson, become executive directors, as do Robert Durston and Dorian Marks of B-A Recruitment. Don Richardson leaves the board, although his brother Roy stays a non-executive director.

# JS Pathology holds total payout at 5.5p

By Martin Barrow

JS PATHOLOGY, the independent clinical laboratory group led by Dr Jean Shanks, increased taxable profits by 9.3 per cent to £3.98 million during the year to end-March.

The company is, however, holding the total dividend at 5.5p a share, paying a 3.7p final, to reflect the investment being made in facilities and laboratory equipment.

Turnover rose from £10.5 million to £11.55 million, although operating profits fell from £2.89 million to £2.65 million, affected by increases in distribution costs and administrative expenses. However, other income and interest payments almost doubled to £1.33 million. Earnings per share were 19.2p (17.8p).

The company provides a pathology service for consultants and GPs, runs trials for drug companies and offers screening services for insurers and industry.

Less than 5 per cent of annual turnover comes from the National Health Service but this is expected to increase once changes outlined in the Government's white paper are implemented.

New laboratory premises are being built at Camden Lock, London, for £11 million, excluding laboratory equipment, and are expected to be operational by January.

# Managing director at NAB named

By Our Financial Staff

DON Argus, the chief operating officer of the National Australia Bank, will replace Bobby Clark, the managing director, when he retires on October 1.

National Australia Bank owns the Clydesdale Bank in Scotland and the Northern Banks in Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic.

Mr Clark, who has been managing director since 1985, will stay on as an executive director of the bank and concentrate on strategy for global banking.

A series of other senior appointments at the bank show that it has amalgamated retail and wholesale operations in Australia.

# Lloyds has £500m of assets frozen

From Paul Bompard in Rome

AN ORDER freezing Lloyds Bank assets in Italy, valued at 1,000 billion lire (£500 million), has been made by a court in Pisa.

The order comes after a claim by two Italian businessmen that Britain's fourth largest bank damaged them to that extent by violations of banking procedure.

Italian bailiffs are now seeking the money from Lloyds Bank deposits and assets.

In 1987, Antonio Marinari, of Pisa, and Roberto Esposito, of Pordenone, were operating as international intermediaries. Among their clients was the PLO, that through a Jordanian businessman, Hassam Zubaidi, had ordered large supplies of food and other materials for the Palestinians, for $1.37 billion.

Mr Zubaidi paid for the goods, half in letters of credit and half in promisory notes, issued by the Philippines.

But when the two Italians went to deposit the notes at a Lloyds Bank in London the notes were seized by the police on the grounds that they were counterfeit. The two Italians were arrested.

The two have since suggested that the Israeli intelligence services may have had a hand in tipping off the British police. After spending 11 months in prison or on bail, the two Italians were brought to trial, where Lorenzo Teves, a Filipino civil servant, testified that the notes were genuine and that he had signed them on behalf of his government.

Signor Marinari and Signor Esposito are claiming damages not only for the time spent in prison, but for what they describe as irreparable damage to their business affairs that the matter caused. They accuse Lloyds Bank of not respecting banking secrecy and of turning over the notes to the authorities without their owners' permission. They also complain that while they were in prison notes worth £150 million expired.

# Growth in losses is cut at S Wood

By Matthew Bond

PRE-TAX losses have slowed at S Wood, the former steel trading group.

In the year to March, the company reported a pre-tax loss of £2.01 million, only £100,000 more than the losses it reported at the half-way stage.

After the interim losses, Robin Matthews, the chairman at that time, together with Nigel Matthews, his brother and fellow director, left the company.

The 4.4 per cent stake in the company controlled by the two South African businessmen was subsequently sold to Peter Rae, the company's managing director.

Two other directors also left the board at the time of the shake-up.

Wood's losses stem from Braemer, its steel trading company, which has now been closed.

Turnover at Braemer fell from £63 million in 1989 to £36 million in 1990, with pre-tax profits of £751,000 in 1989 turning to losses of £2.1 million.

Braemer's problems arose from an overstocked import division in Britain and from a collapse in steel prices in the Far East.

The cost of closing Braemer is reflected in a £777,000 extraordinary item. The company has also stopped its property trading activities.

Profits slid at the scrap businesses that Wood is retaining. While turnover fell from £11.5 million to £8.1 million, pre-tax profits collapsed from £1.46 million to just £52,000, as margins came under pressure.

Last month, Wood appointed Barry Giddings as the company's new chief executive.

Mr Giddings plans to expand by the acquisition of manufacturing and engineering businesses.

The company currently has a net worth of £2.4 million and has £1.2 million of cash in the bank.

## Major's monetary fund plans unlikely to suit new democracies

# Ecu support for Eastern Europe

From Colin Narbrough in Prague

THE European currency unit is soon likely to become an important instrument of economic change in Eastern Europe, possibly adopting the role of a parallel currency to those of that region.

However, this week's proposal from John Major, the chancellor, for a "hard ecu" backed by a European monetary fund looks unlikely to provide a formula which would suit Eastern Europe.

Speaking at a one-day conference of the Ecu Banking Association, Peter Schlüter, director of the European division of the Bundesbank, described the British proposal as a "roundabout" route to European monetary union. He suggested that shadowing the mark was a better way to achieve monetary convergence.

Michael Foot, head of the foreign exchange department of the Bank of England, said there was nothing written in stone about the Bundesbank's performance on inflation in the future, despite its successful record so far.

Mr Major's commitment to a European Community that would ultimately allow the new democracies of Eastern Europe to participate in economic and monetary integration, found some support in a report by the association's macro-financial group. Headed by Professor Alfred Steinherr, of the European Investment Bank, the group urges Eastern Europe to undertake rapid financial reform as a centrepiece to economic reform.

The creation of a two-tier banking system and commercial banks is seen as a first step.

The report also underlines the importance of sound government financing, urging bond issues to finance deficits. As foreign trade between the members of the Comecon bloc dwindles, it proposes a switch to accounting and settlement in ecus rather than in roubles.

Major: finding support

The report urges Eastern Europe to switch to fixed exchange rates pegged to the ecu and hold a large part of reserves in the same unit.

It said: "If they wish to go further, they may even allow for the introduction of the ecu as a parallel currency." In line with Mr Major's proposals, the report advocates the alternative of a currency board in which Eastern Europe's domestic money supply would be fully covered by ecu holdings.

Abel Matutes, the European commissioner, told the conference that the relevance of the ecu would increase for Eastern Europe. He invited the banking industry to increase the flow of information to Eastern Europe about the ecu.

Josef Tosovsky, president of the Czechoslovakian Central Bank, said: "The ecu is our road to Europe and we would like to respond positively to the opportunity." He said Czechoslovakia would like a stand-by facility to support its reforms, but this would be significantly less than the $2 billion that has been reported.

Mr Tosovsky said this facility could be in ecu.

In addition to boosting Czechoslovakia's foreign exchange business in ecu, he endorsed a switch to payments between Comecon countries in ecu.

## WORLD MARKET INDICES

| Index | Value | Daily ch'ge (£) | Yearly ch'ge (£) | Daily ch'ge (lc)* | Yearly ch'ge (lc)* | Daily ch'ge (US$) | Yearly ch'ge (US$) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| The World | 716.6 | -0.4 | -15.0 | 0.1 | -7.4 | 0.0 | -9.0 |
| (free) | 136.8 | -0.4 | -15.2 | 0.0 | -7.5 | -0.1 | -9.1 |
| EAFE | 1247.4 | -0.5 | -19.9 | -0.3 | -12.2 | -0.2 | -14.2 |
| (free) | 127.9 | -0.6 | -20.3 | -0.4 | -12.5 | -0.2 | -14.6 |
| Europe | 743.4 | 0.2 | -2.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 4.7 |
| (free) | 159.7 | 0.2 | -2.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 4.7 |
| Nth America | 510.7 | -0.1 | -5.1 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 0.2 | 1.7 |
| Nordic | 1552.0 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 6.9 |
| (free) | 247.3 | -0.3 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 12.7 |
| Pacific | 2782.4 | -1.1 | -29.8 | -0.8 | -19.6 | -0.8 | -24.8 |
| Far East | 4023.6 | -1.2 | -30.5 | -0.9 | -20.1 | -0.8 | -25.5 |
| Australia | 302.1 | -0.2 | -13.0 | 0.6 | -6.1 | 0.2 | -6.8 |
| Austria | 1797.0 | 1.7 | 20.9 | 2.0 | 28.6 | 2.1 | 29.6 |
| Belgium | 675.6 | -0.5 | -11.1 | -0.3 | -7.7 | -0.2 | -4.7 |
| Canada | 498.8 | -0.1 | -16.9 | 0.6 | -9.3 | 0.3 | -11.0 |
| Denmark | 1320.5 | -0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 4.4 | -0.1 | 7.5 |
| Finland | 93.4 | -0.4 | -19.0 | 0.0 | -15.2 | 0.0 | -13.2 |
| (free) | 134.6 | -0.4 | -9.7 | 0.0 | -5.5 | 0.0 | -3.3 |
| France | 774.4 | 0.9 | -4.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 2.6 |
| Germany | 908.2 | 0.4 | -1.0 | 0.6 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 6.1 |
| Hong Kong | 2391.6 | -0.1 | 7.8 | 0.2 | 15.3 | 0.3 | 15.5 |
| Italy | 386.6 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.1 | 7.5 |
| Japan | 4222.0 | -1.2 | -31.6 | -0.9 | -21.1 | -0.9 | -26.7 |
| Netherlands | 856.4 | 0.0 | -9.4 | 0.3 | -4.0 | 0.4 | -2.9 |
| New Zealand | 67.2 | -0.7 | -15.4 | -0.2 | -8.0 | -0.3 | -9.3 |
| Norway | 1474.0 | -0.5 | 9.8 | -0.3 | 15.1 | -0.1 | 17.7 |
| (free) | 255.9 | -0.4 | 9.6 | -0.2 | 14.9 | -0.1 | 17.4 |
| Sing/Malay | 1926.9 | -0.5 | -3.4 | -0.1 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 3.5 |
| Spain | 218.6 | -0.2 | -8.5 | 0.0 | -7.4 | 0.1 | -2.0 |
| Sweden | 1768.1 | -0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 0.1 | 8.0 |
| (free) | 264.0 | -0.2 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 14.4 | 0.1 | 16.9 |
| Switzerland | 945.7 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 10.8 |
| (free) | 142.7 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 9.5 |
| UK | 708.9 | 0.1 | -2.0 | 0.1 | -2.0 | 0.4 | 5.1 |
| USA | 463.7 | -0.1 | -4.0 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 2.8 |

(lc)* Local currency. Source: Morgan Stanley Capital International.

## ALPHA STOCKS

| | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ADT | 204 | CU | 268 | Lonrho | 2,192 | Shell | 799 |
| Abbey Nat | 4,059 | Cookson | 578 | Lucas | 1,068 | Siebe | 71 |
| Alld-Lyons | 3,478 | Courtaulds | 266 | Manpower | 100 | Slough | 250 |
| Amstrad | 1,113 | Dalgety | 33 | M&S | 1,643 | Smith & N | 723 |
| Anglian | 455 | Dixons | 1,905 | Maxwell Cm | 235 | SK Beech | 488 |
| Argos | 235 | ECC | 190 | MB Group | 4,342 | Do Uts | 33 |
| ASDA | 14,498 | Enterprise | 736 | Mecca | 1,835 | Smith WH | 168 |
| AB Foods | 278 | Ferranti | 4,612 | MEPC | 780 | Smiths Ind | 572 |
| Argyll | 973 | Fisons | 1,312 | Midland | 811 | STC | 1,800 |
| BAA | 2,532 | FKI | 1,561 | Nat West | 1,201 | Stan Chart | 659 |
| BET | 3,435 | Gen Acc | 249 | Nexd | 727 | Storehse | 2,033 |
| BTR | 1,502 | GEC | 4,051 | Nth Fond | 110 | Sun Allnce | 197 |
| BAT | 2,361 | Gkn | 1,608 | P&O | 514 | Sun Life | 2 |
| Barclays | 926 | Globe Inv | 1,149 | Pearson | 492 | T & N | 197 |
| Bass | 93 | Glynwed | 798 | Pilkington | 2,847 | Tl Group | 49 |
| Beazer | 1,344 | Grenada | 1,227 | Polly Peck | 3,793 | Tarmac | 2,622 |
| Bensdl Ind | 254 | Grand Met | 2,533 | Prudential | 1,954 | Tate & Lyle | 212 |
| BICC | 508 | GUS 'A' | 305 | Racal | 6,168 | Taylor Wood | 608 |
| Blue Circle | 568 | GRE | 173 | Racal Tele | 533 | TSB | 1,347 |
| BOC | 334 | GKN | 245 | Rc Hovis | 543 | Tesco | 3,980 |
| Boots | 571 | Guinness | 1,651 | Rank | 421 | Thames Wtr | 1,450 |
| BPB | 4,294 | Hamm 'A' | 282 | R&C | 82 | Thorn EMI | 68 |
| Br Aero | 2,684 | Hanson | 2,913 | Redland | 648 | Trafalgar | 267 |
| Br Airways | 488 | Do Wts | 290 | Reed | 1,117 | THF | 1,232 |
| Br Comm | n/a | H & C | 652 | Reuters | 607 | Ultramar | 349 |
| Br Gas | 2,799 | Hawker | 68 | RMC Gp | 78 | Unigate | 348 |
| Br Land | 248 | Hillsdown | 1,429 | RTZ | 885 | Unilever | 335 |
| Br Petrol | 6,241 | IMI | 337 | R-Royce | 4,327 | United Bis | 4,393 |
| Br Steel | 6,575 | ICI | 553 | Rothmn 'B' | 1,131 | United News | 329 |
| Br Telecom | 8,766 | Inchcape | 558 | Royal Bank | 507 | Wellcome | 1,659 |
| Brtol | 373 | Kingfisher | 2,260 | Royal Ins | 670 | Welsh | 288 |
| Burmah | 124 | Lasmo | 643 | Saatchi | 719 | Wessex | 263 |
| Burton | 2,819 | Ladbroke | 3,140 | Sainsbury | 3,549 | Whitbrd | 1,114 |
| C&W | 948 | Land Sec | 503 | Scot & N | 359 | Wigg Teape | 2,548 |
| Cadbury | 7,646 | Laporte | 23 | Sears | 1,819 | Williams | 843 |
| Calor | 533 | L&G | 1,002 | Sedgwick | 65 | Wills Fab | 264 |
| Carlton | 773 | Lloyds | 1,480 | Severn Trnt | 479 | Wimpey G | 1,388 |
| Coats | 179 | Lloyds Abb | 213 | | | | |

## TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

| First Dealings | Last Dealings | Last Declaration | For Settlement |
|---|---|---|---|
| June 18 | June 29 | September 20 | October 1 |

Call options were taken out on: 22/6/90 Due to technical difficulties at source the option market report was unavailable yesterday.

# THE TIMES UNIT TRUST STATISTICS

**Spread is percentage difference between bid and offer prices. Monthly performance figures show value of £100 based on offer to offer prices without income re-invested and ranking within sector. Yearly figures are based on offer to bid prices with income re-invested. —— Unit trust founded within last year. † PEP scheme available.**

## UK GENERAL

| Fund | Bid/offer spread (%) | Mid price | 1 month perf | 1 month rank | 1 year perf | 1 year rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbey Dividend & Gth | 5.98 | 53.15 | 100.1 | 1 | — | — |
| Abbey Growth | 6.48 | 100.4 | 103.0 | 48 | 95.1 | 72 |
| Abbey Income & Gth | 6.49 | 125.5 | 105.3 | 35 | 97.2 | 55 |
| Allied Dunbar Accumulator | 6.09 | 860.0 | 104.8 | 59 | 101.5 | 22 |
| † Allied Dunbar Asset Value | 6.10 | 422.4 | 105.9 | 23 | 100.2 | 32 |
| † Allied Dunbar Balanced | 6.10 | 538.4 | 103.8 | 86 | 100.9 | 30 |
| † Allied Dunbar Gth & Inc | 6.09 | 108.8 | 105.5 | 31 | 101.2 | 25 |
| Asset Gth | 5.83 | 97.42 | 108.8 | 10 | 81.3 | 92 |
| † Avon Equity | 6.00 | 93.35 | 104.9 | 52 | 99.9 | 35 |
| † Barclays Uni 500 | 6.74 | 375.7 | 105.2 | 38 | 85.8 | 87 |
| † Barclays Uni General | 6.51 | 209.0 | 105.7 | 26 | 98.0 | 50 |
| Barclays Uni Trustee | 6.49 | 157.2 | 103.9 | 82 | 96.0 | 63 |
| Berengrove Inv | 3.89 | 273.4 | 103.0 | 92 | 92.4 | 76 |
| Bishop Portfolio | 3.48 | 95.28 | 103.1 | 91 | 102.4 | 14 |
| Brown Uk & General | 5.99 | 46.24 | 106.4 | 12 | — | — |
| Brown Shipley UK General | 6.11 | 132.4 | 104.3 | 77 | 88.6 | 84 |
| Bryecourt Income Gth | 3.51 | 199.2 | 107.3 | 3 | 101.0 | 28 |
| † Buckmaster General | 6.01 | 320.1 | 104.5 | 71 | 91.6 | 77 |
| Buckmaster Inv Portfolio | 3.38 | 58.14 | 105.5 | 31 | 97.2 | 55 |
| Common Gth | 6.51 | 41.53 | 106.6 | 10 | 95.3 | 70 |
| CCL UK General | 5.99 | 61.40 | 105.2 | 38 | 99.4 | 39 |
| Citicorp SV Model Portfolio | 2.45 | 143.4 | 102.7 | 93 | 102.7 | 11 |
| Clerical Med General Equity | 5.25 | 62.12 | 105.3 | 35 | 102.3 | 15 |
| Colonial Mutual Capital | 6.51 | 54.09 | 105.0 | 48 | 97.2 | 55 |
| † Confederation Gth | 6.49 | 42.58 | 104.9 | 52 | 98.3 | 45 |
| Consistent Trust | 6.23 | 26.95 | 103.7 | 67 | 95.3 | 70 |
| Cornhill UK Equity | 6.00 | 55.37 | 102.2 | 96 | 82.2 | 91 |
| † Crown Gth | 6.52 | 373.50 | 106.8 | 25 | 102.0 | 17 |
| CS Portfolio | 6.00 | 76.82 | 104.0 | 61 | 94.4 | 74 |
| † CU Dealer General | 5.93 | 110.10 | 103.9 | 82 | 99.6 | 38 |
| † CU UK & General | 6.00 | 68.93 | 101.9 | 99 | 97.0 | 58 |
| Dashebourg | 4.96 | 145.2 | 107.0 | 5 | 78.8 | 94 |
| † Eagle Star UK Balanced | 6.00 | 103.8 | 104.8 | 59 | 99.3 | 41 |
| † Equitable Pelican | 5.00 | 111.65 | 105.2 | 38 | 98.6 | 85 |
| Equity & Law General | 6.01 | 352.6 | 104.9 | 52 | 103.5 | 8 |
| † Equity & Law UK Gwth | 6.04 | 193.8 | 104.9 | 52 | 102.5 | 12 |
| † Fidelity Growth & Inc | 6.80 | 142.4 | 103.9 | 82 | 97.4 | 53 |
| Fleming Capital Portfolio | 2.52 | 127.2 | 103.2 | 90 | 103.7 | 7 |
| † Framlington Inc & Gwth | 5.49 | 191.1 | 105.2 | 16 | 95.6 | 65 |
| Friends Provident Equity | 6.00 | 309.56 | 104.6 | 68 | 100.4 | 31 |
| GA GARDA | 5.66 | 150.3 | 105.7 | 26 | 101.5 | 22 |
| GAM UK Spec | 6.00 | 143.95 | 105.2 | 38 | 90.3 | 82 |
| Gartmore UK Index | 4.50 | 112.74 | 106.7 | 9 | 104.4 | 5 |
| GRE Guardhill | 3.49 | 469.9 | 106.2 | 16 | 91.2 | 79 |
| Guinness Mahon T B Sm Cos | 5.80 | 246.4 | 104.1 | 79 | 79.5 | 93 |
| Hermanson Inc & Assets | 6.60 | 157.15 | 105.6 | 28 | 95.5 | 67 |
| † Henderson Income & Gth | 6.57 | 219.1 | 104.5 | 71 | 94.6 | 73 |
| † Hill Samuel British | 6.49 | 78.74 | 105.2 | 38 | 99.4 | 39 |
| † Hill Samuel Inc & Gth | 6.45 | 125.5 | 107.0 | 5 | 96.3 | 62 |
| Holborn Equity | 6.50 | 614.09 | 105.6 | 28 | 98.7 | 51 |
| † KB General | 5.99 | 254.3 | 104.5 | 71 | 99.2 | 42 |
| † KB PPP Inc | 5.96 | 10.09 | 106.3 | 15 | — | — |
| † KB UK Smaller Cos Div | 5.99 | 42.32 | 106.1 | 20 | 75.0 | 95 |
| † LAS Income & Gth | 6.00 | 63.32 | 105.2 | 38 | 88.1 | 83 |
| Lauderdale Undervalued Asset | 6.00 | 62.18 | 106.2 | 15 | 96.9 | 59 |
| Lazard UK Income & Gth | 1.99 | 306.6 | 106.9 | 7 | 103.4 | 9 |
| Lon & Mer General | 5.80 | 65.55 | 104.6 | 68 | 105.0 | 3 |
| Lloyds Balanced | 5.00 | 271.01 | 104.7 | 62 | 101.9 | 18 |
| M&G General | 5.43 | 1016.4 | 106.0 | 21 | 101.0 | 28 |
| † M&G Midland | 5.44 | 1047.8 | 106.2 | 16 | 90.8 | 80 |
| † M&G Second General | 5.44 | 1079.2 | 106.4 | 12 | 96.8 | 60 |
| M&G Income | 5.44 | 664.3 | 106.0 | 21 | 91.3 | 78 |
| Minstein Gth | 6.03 | 140.8 | 104.6 | 69 | 101.2 | 29 |
| Matheson UK Gth | 6.50 | 73.63 | 105.9 | 23 | 104.7 | 4 |
| Mayflower Brush Leaders | 5.99 | 285.2 | 105.0 | 45 | 98.3 | 46 |
| † Mercury British Blue Chip | 6.26 | 51.93 | 105.6 | 26 | 107.4 | 1 |
| † Mercury General | 6.27 | 395.4 | 104.1 | 76 | 97.3 | 54 |
| MEM UK Gth | 5.97 | 333.3 | 104.7 | 62 | 84.1 | 90 |
| † Midland Inc | 6.49 | 261.7 | 105.5 | 31 | 97.6 | 52 |
| † MIM Brit Assets & Earnings | 5.87 | 63.51 | 104.9 | 52 | 85.4 | 89 |
| † MIM Brit Inc & Gth | 5.50 | 38.37 | 104.9 | 52 | 101.6 | 19 |
| † MLA General | 5.69 | 45.18 | 103.4 | 88 | 90.5 | 81 |
| † Morgan Grenf UK Index Trkr | 6.43 | 124.8 | 104.6 | 59 | 101.8 | 19 |
| New Court Major UK Coc | 7.09 | 79.14 | 102.2 | 96 | 100.2 | 32 |
| New Court Smlr UK Co | 8.92 | 219.49 | 105.5 | 31 | 86.0 | 88 |
| † NM UK Equity | 6.33 | 152.2 | 102.8 | 95 | 95.5 | 67 |
| Norwich UK Equity | 6.00 | 107.94 | 105.3 | 35 | 99.2 | 42 |
| NPI UK Acc | 6.00 | 522.5 | 105.0 | 48 | 95.7 | 64 |
| Pearl Equity | 5.99 | 195.8 | 103.4 | 88 | 98.2 | 47 |
| † Pearl UK-International 25 | 6.00 | 53.32 | 103.9 | 82 | — | — |
| PK English Trust Gth | 5.44 | 200.25 | 106.1 | 1 | 98.2 | 47 |
| † Prov Mutual Inc & Gth | 5.99 | 102.2 | 105.2 | 38 | 87.7 | 85 |
| Reliance British Life | 5.70 | 261.7 | 104.4 | 75 | 100.0 | 34 |
| Royal Life UK Index Tracking | 6.09 | 128.1 | 107.2 | 4 | 99.8 | 37 |
| Schroder UK Equity | 5.97 | 169.6 | 104.7 | 62 | 102.5 | 12 |
| Schroder UK Index (Inst) | 5.94 | 130.0 | 104.3 | 76 | 102.8 | 10 |
| Scot Life UK Equity | 6.52 | 262.6 | 104.8 | 71 | 99.9 | 35 |
| Scot Mut UK Equity | 6.03 | 264.5 | 104.7 | 63 | 93.0 | 75 |
| Scot Widows Equity | 5.23 | 439.1 | 104.7 | 62 | 101.1 | 27 |
| Standard Life UK Equity Gen | 6.89 | 36.88 | 104.9 | 52 | 104.4 | 5 |
| Stewart Ivory Brunk | 5.47 | 852.1 | 104.2 | 77 | 84.8 | 89 |
| Swiss Life Equity | 6.50 | 586.6 | 104.7 | 62 | 102.2 | 16 |
| Target Equity | 6.78 | 165.5 | 102.2 | 98 | 85.0 | 88 |
| † TR General Gth | 5.99 | 84.11 | 105.2 | 38 | 98.8 | 44 |
| Tredec Union | 4.95 | 274.3 | 105.1 | 47 | 101.8 | 19 |
| TSB General | 6.00 | 233.67 | 105.2 | 38 | 101.5 | 22 |
| TSB Inc | 6.00 | 323.99 | 102.7 | 93 | 97.9 | 51 |
| Unicat Charities | 6.24 | 210.6 | 108.4 | 12 | 98.1 | 49 |
| Windsor Asset Value | 6.45 | 178.64 | 106.8 | 8 | 105.8 | 2 |

## UK GROWTH

| Fund | Bid/offer spread (%) | Mid price | 1 month perf | 1 month rank | 1 year perf | 1 year rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbey 1992 Enterprise | 6.00 | 68.93 | 102.9 | 171 | 103.2 | 11 |
| Abbey Assets & Earnings | 6.46 | 169.0 | 104.6 | 97 | 93.6 | 76 |
| Abbey Extra | 6.49 | 10.00 | 107.0 | 185 | 89.0 | 100 |
| Abroad Small Companies | 6.32 | 54.95 | 106.5 | 18 | 80.2 | 150 |
| Abroat Spec Sits | 6.32 | 68.21 | 104.8 | 97 | 85.6 | 115 |
| Abroat UK Gth | 6.32 | 40.31 | 106.9 | 13 | 98.1 | 38 |
| AEtna Recovery | 5.57 | 221.4 | 105.8 | 44 | 92.0 | 82 |
| AEtna Smaller Co's Growth Acc | 5.58 | 330.0 | 101.9 | 182 | 62.0 | 187 |
| AEtna UK Gth | 5.60 | 469.6 | 103.4 | 158 | 95.1 | 67 |
| Alldunbars Amity Fund | 5.74 | 66.18 | 104.3 | 117 | 95.7 | 62 |
| † Allied Dunbar 2nd Small Cos | 6.08 | 153.7 | 100.5 | 189 | 71.8 | 178 |
| † Allied Dunbar Capital | 6.08 | 319.9 | 104.5 | 106 | 99.2 | 34 |
| † Allied Dunbar O'seas Earning | 6.09 | 281.2 | 103.3 | 158 | 101.9 | 17 |
| † Allied Dunbar Recovery | 6.03 | 119.8 | 104.5 | 108 | 94.5 | 71 |
| † Allied Dunbar Smaller Co's | 6.06 | 171.3 | 102.1 | 176 | 64.8 | 223 |
| † Allied Dunbar UK Spec Sits | 6.08 | 229.0 | 105.6 | 18 | 99.6 | 31 |
| Arkwright Gth | 6.00 | 101.00 | 103.7 | 146 | 93.2 | 134 |
| Bank of Ireland Capital Gth | 5.49 | 94.80 | 104.0 | 136 | 98.4 | 40 |
| Barclays Uni Capital | 5.50 | 97.78 | 105.1 | 73 | 90.0 | 55 |
| Barclays Uni Leisure | 6.46 | 117.7 | 105.9 | 36 | 84.8 | 123 |
| Barclays Uni Recovery | 6.49 | 325.0 | 104.9 | 81 | 92.1 | 80 |
| Barclays Uni Smlr Cos | 6.75 | 40.06 | 106.3 | 26 | 75.8 | 172 |
| Barclays Uni Spec Sits Acc | 6.49 | 184.9 | 106.7 | 16 | 83.7 | 130 |
| Baring UK Gth | 5.75 | 63.50 | 100.8 | 186 | 86.8 | 114 |
| Baring UK Smaller Companies | 5.74 | 90.27 | 104.8 | 97 | 90.3 | 156 |
| BG British Gth | 6.00 | 30.84 | 104.9 | 81 | 72.7 | 175 |
| † Brown Shipley Recovery | 6.10 | 47.34 | 99.9 | 190 | 61.3 | 188 |
| † Brown Shipley Smaller Cos | 6.11 | 160.1 | 104.6 | 97 | 84.8 | 186 |
| † Buckmaster Emerging Gth | 5.66 | 64.35 | 106.7 | 16 | 88.9 | 101 |
| † Buckmaster Smaller Cos | 6.04 | 107.5 | 105.5 | 80 | 80.0 | 151 |
| Carme General | 4.80 | 156.5 | 103.7 | 148 | 99.2 | 34 |
| Common Strategic Opps | 6.49 | 52.07 | 104.2 | 123 | 80.2 | 159 |
| Capability Gth | 6.00 | 287.8 | 104.8 | 86 | 98.9 | 38 |
| † Capital House Smaller Cos | 6.00 | 26.79 | 101.1 | 185 | 88.7 | 103 |
| † Capital House UK Gth | 5.98 | 22.61 | 106.1 | 30 | 91.7 | 84 |
| Chase Mgd S & C Spec Sits | 5.49 | 57.59 | 96.1 | 192 | 73.6 | 178 |
| CIBC Growth | 5.19 | 127.0 | 105.3 | 61 | 106.4 | 4 |
| CIGNA UK Gth | 6.50 | 81.86 | 105.3 | 61 | 96.4 | 57 |
| Citicorp UK Capital | 5.89 | 51.29 | 100.7 | 187 | 80.0 | 122 |
| City Fin'cial Segment Assets | 5.01 | 52.33 | 105.5 | 50 | 97.6 | 48 |
| City of London Active Assets | 4.08 | 19.34 | 107.3 | 10 | 94.0 | 65 |
| Clerical Med Pedigree Gwth | 5.99 | 38.88 | 106.1 | 30 | 100.7 | 26 |
| Clerical Med Spec Sits | 7.08 | 32.30 | 103.2 | 161 | 70.0 | 160 |
| † Confederation Smaller Cos | 7.23 | 22.44 | 104.4 | 114 | 90.0 | 153 |
| † CU Gamma | 6.01 | 36.33 | 103.6 | 151 | 90.8 | 153 |
| † CU Dealer Spec Sits | 5.99 | 87.68 | 102.0 | 181 | 81.8 | 142 |
| Dimensional UK Small Cos | 5.33 | 128.0 | 105.2 | 65 | 90.3 | 156 |
| Drummond Glen Portfolio | 8.15 | 46.13 | 104.5 | 106 | 85.1 | 121 |
| Dunedin British Gth | 5.99 | 200.6 | 108.8 | 18 | 88.6 | 97 |
| † Eagle Star Environmtl Opp | 6.00 | 57.88 | 105.5 | 50 | 108.0 | 1 |
| † Eagle Star UK Gth | 5.97 | 162.8 | 107.2 | 11 | 102.6 | 13 |
| EFM Capital | 5.90 | 131.9 | 105.8 | 39 | 80.8 | 153 |
| Elcon Trust | 8.84 | 174.0 | 105.3 | 61 | 98.3 | 58 |
| † Equitable Spec Sits | 5.00 | 113.26 | 105.2 | 65 | 89.5 | 97 |
| † Equity & Law Brit Excellence | 6.00 | 54.30 | 105.6 | 44 | 101.4 | 19 |
| Exeter Capital Gth | 6.75 | 55.21 | 103.9 | 136 | 99.5 | 33 |
| FEC UK Gth | 6.50 | 50.29 | 102.3 | 174 | 91.8 | 83 |
| Fidelity Famous Names | 6.97 | 52.49 | 104.3 | 117 | 97.6 | 48 |
| Fidelity Recovery | 6.77 | 32.78 | 102.1 | 178 | 80.0 | 101 |
| † Fidelity Spec Sits | 6.77 | 371.8 | 103.8 | 141 | 91.4 | 87 |
| † Framlington Capital | 5.47 | 272.6 | 105.8 | 39 | 105.5 | 132 |
| † Framlington Smaller Cos | 5.49 | 57.00 | 104.8 | 88 | 81.2 | 150 |
| Friends Provident Stewardship | 6.00 | 253.69 | 104.6 | 68 | 89.6 | 98 |
| † FS Balanced Gth | 6.01 | 61.38 | 103.8 | 141 | 98.1 | 59 |
| † FS Service Cos | 5.99 | 80.46 | 103.0 | 186 | 83.5 | 132 |
| Gartmore British Gth | 8.74 | 32.69 | 103.8 | 141 | 100.4 | 27 |
| Gartmore UK Select Opps | 6.75 | 101.30 | 103.0 | 168 | 82.7 | 138 |
| Gartmore UK Small Cos | 6.75 | 104.01 | 104.9 | 61 | 77.1 | 168 |
| Glenfriars Inv Opps | 6.62 | 119.3 | 108.0 | 9 | 83.1 | 135 |
| † Govett Great British Gwth | 6.49 | 52.04 | 104.8 | 88 | 100.0 | 1 |
| † Govett UK Small Cos | 6.51 | 49.15 | 106.3 | 38 | 87.9 | 109 |
| † Govett UK Spec Opps | 7.50 | 168.66 | 108.9 | 2 | 85.4 | 118 |
| † Granville Smaller Cos | 6.66 | 78.42 | 110.1 | 1 | 87.1 | 112 |
| GRE Growth Equity | 5.49 | 294.7 | 105.7 | 42 | 88.7 | 103 |
| GRE Smaller Cos | 5.47 | 274.9 | 104.2 | 123 | 77.6 | 167 |
| Gresham UK Gth | 6.51 | 30.76 | 104.6 | 53 | 97.5 | 44 |
| Grofund Equity | 5.02 | 155.6 | 104.7 | 96 | 103.6 | 10 |
| † GT UK Capital | 6.56 | 157.40 | 105.0 | 75 | 91.1 | 89 |
| † GT UK Spec Situations | 6.50 | 61.82 | 103.6 | 151 | 86.7 | 113 |
| † Guinness Mahon Recovery | 6.55 | 323.6 | 104.3 | 117 | 76.1 | 186 |
| Guinness Mahon T B USM | 8.50 | 163.4 | 101.8 | 183 | 80.9 | 151 |
| Hambro-Generali UK Gth | 5.75 | 77.28 | 104.2 | 123 | 88.0 | 37 |
| Hambros Recovery & Assets | 5.75 | 64.66 | 104.9 | 81 | 81.7 | 143 |
| Hambros Smaller Cos | 6.00 | 34.36 | 103.8 | 141 | 81.7 | 143 |
| † Hambros UK New Generation | 6.01 | 43.71 | 104.1 | 130 | 84.8 | 125 |
| Henderson Best of British | 6.53 | 50.13 | 106.2 | 28 | 102.2 | 16 |
| Henderson Recovery | 5.74 | 148.62 | 104.5 | 106 | 83.1 | 135 |
| Henderson Spec Sits | 6.85 | 221.54 | 106.5 | 23 | 96.0 | 107 |
| Hill Samuel Capital | 6.46 | 141.0 | 104.0 | 136 | 97.8 | 80 |
| Hill Samuel Security | 6.48 | 268.6 | 105.6 | 44 | 99.8 | 61 |
| Hill Samuel Sm Cos | 6.50 | 103.1 | 105.5 | 50 | 68.8 | 192 |
| Hill Samuel Spec Sits | 6.46 | 144.0 | 105.0 | 75 | 91.1 | 89 |
| Holborn Small Companies | 6.49 | 71.51 | 106.6 | 18 | 88.9 | 93 |
| † Holborn Spec Situations | 6.50 | 100.66 | 104.9 | 81 | 89.8 | 94 |
| † Holborn UK Gth | 6.50 | 106.66 | 104.5 | 105 | 84.8 | 70 |
| James Capel Capital | 6.30 | 502.0 | 104.4 | 114 | 98.1 | 41 |
| KB Smaller Cos | 6.02 | 106.2 | 103.2 | 161 | 77.1 | 168 |
| KB UK Equity Gth | 5.99 | 36.26 | 109.6 | 4 | 102.8 | 13 |
| † Key Equity & General | 6.00 | 62.51 | 104.6 | 108 | 80.4 | 89 |
| † Key Smaller Cos | 6.50 | 61.34 | 108.7 | 7 | 85.5 | 117 |
| † LAS UK Equity | 5.99 | 73.51 | 105.7 | 42 | 105.2 | 7 |
| Lauderdale Gth | 5.98 | 183.6 | 105.0 | 75 | 97.9 | 44 |
| Laurent UK Capital | 7.66 | 276.8 | 106.1 | 30 | 100.5 | 26 |
| Laurent UK Small Cos Gth | 5.01 | 161.7 | 105.1 | 73 | 83.0 | 137 |
| Legal & General Equity | 6.01 | 371.0 | 105.4 | 58 | 101.1 | 22 |
| Legal & General UK Recovery | 8.00 | 60.24 | 105.4 | 56 | 101.0 | 24 |
| Legal & General UK Spec Sits | 6.00 | 92.59 | 103.1 | 164 | 67.7 | 110 |
| Lloyds Smlr Cos Rec | 5.00 | 270.81 | 104.2 | 123 | 81.4 | 146 |
| Lloyds UK Gth | 5.00 | 72.33 | 105.4 | 56 | 100.4 | 27 |
| M&G Dividend Gth | 5.43 | 660.9 | 106.0 | 34 | 99.6 | 31 |
| † M&G Recovery Acc | 5.44 | 962.7 | 106.0 | 34 | 97.8 | 47 |
| † M&G Smlr Cos | 5.29 | 55.70 | 108.2 | 8 | 84.8 | 125 |
| Minstein UK Smaller Cos | 8.01 | 144.2 | 104.2 | 123 | 72.5 | 176 |
| Murray Cuma UK Gth | 5.79 | 57.13 | 109.8 | 3 | 88.0 | 107 |
| † Mercury Recovery | 6.25 | 270.4 | 106.1 | 30 | 79.9 | 161 |
| † Mercury UK Smlr Cos | 6.27 | 48.11 | 105.2 | 65 | 78.3 | 165 |
| Merlin Jupiter Spec Sits | 6.00 | 37.11 | 101.8 | 183 | 95.7 | 54 |
| Metropolitan UK Gth | 5.99 | 60.19 | 105.4 | 56 | 92.1 | 80 |
| MGM Spec Situations Gth | 6.72 | 33.28 | 100.9 | 188 | 62.6 | 186 |
| † Midland Growth | 6.50 | 67.42 | 104.4 | 114 | 104.0 | 9 |
| † Midland Capital | 6.50 | 116.9 | 103.3 | 158 | 85.2 | 119 |
| † Midland Smaller Cos | 6.52 | 156.7 | 106.8 | 18 | 74.6 | 174 |
| † MIM Brit Gt British Cos | 7.02 | 42.78 | 104.6 | 97 | 101.7 | 18 |
| MIM Brit Recovery Units | 6.46 | 65.76 | 104.9 | 81 | 105.7 | 6 |
| † MIM Brit Smaller Cos | 5.88 | 24.16 | 105.2 | 65 | 68.9 | 181 |
| † MIM Brit UK Gth | 5.88 | 45.09 | 104.1 | 130 | 93.6 | 76 |
| † MIM Brit UK Spec Features | 5.86 | 25.60 | 103.9 | 136 | 70.5 | 182 |
| † MLA UK Smaller Companies | 5.69 | 22.22 | 106.8 | 15 | 60.3 | 198 |
| Murray Smaller Companies | 6.32 | 56.56 | 106.5 | 23 | 87.2 | 104 |
| † Murray UK Gth | 6.33 | 77.24 | 104.8 | 88 | 104.6 | 8 |
| † NM Consolence | 6.30 | 53.80 | 102.2 | 176 | 93.8 | 75 |
| NM Smaller Cos | 6.97 | 35.06 | 104.3 | 117 | 84.6 | 125 |
| Norwich UK Eq Gth | 6.00 | 101.63 | 104.8 | 88 | 94.3 | 73 |
| Norwich UK Smlr Cos | 6.00 | 95.78 | 103.5 | 153 | 88.6 | 105 |
| Pearl Gth | 5.01 | 124.3 | 104.1 | 130 | 94.0 | 74 |
| Pembroke Fund | 5.65 | 94.03 | 104.6 | 97 | 101.3 | 20 |
| Perpetual UK Gth | 6.51 | 51.85 | 105.6 | 44 | 98.1 | 41 |
| † Prolific Spec Sits | 6.21 | 120.7 | 104.6 | 97 | 94.6 | 69 |
| Prov Cap UK Equity | 6.66 | 63.40 | 103.0 | 166 | 95.6 | 63 |
| † Prov Mutual Equity | 5.97 | 122.0 | 102.3 | 174 | 86.8 | 102 |
| † Refuge UK Equity | 6.51 | 238.4 | 104.2 | 123 | — | — |
| Regency British Gth | 6.00 | 59.77 | 103.5 | 153 | 96.0 | 62 |
| Reliance | 5.84 | 151.9 | 104.3 | 117 | 91.7 | 84 |
| Robert Fraser Gth | 5.98 | 145.9 | 108.8 | 6 | 79.4 | 183 |
| Royal Life Equity Gth | 6.02 | 246.3 | 105.0 | 75 | 89.8 | 94 |
| † Royal Life UK Emerging Cos | 5.99 | 75.42 | 102.5 | 173 | 101.1 | 22 |
| † Royal London Spec Sits | 6.95 | 145.9 | 105.5 | 50 | 88.2 | 106 |
| Royal Lumbin UK Gth | 5.59 | 88.24 | 102.9 | 134 | 91.3 | 88 |
| Royal Trust PPT UK | 5.21 | 107.8 | 108.4 | 5 | 98.6 | 39 |
| Royal Trust Smaller Co's | 7.01 | 58.33 | 105.9 | 36 | 88.6 | 103 |
| Royal Trust UK Spec Sits | 6.55 | 78.08 | 103.7 | 148 | — | — |
| † S&P Scotshares | 5.97 | 229.8 | 105.2 | 65 | 85.4 | 115 |
| S&P Spec Sits | 5.97 | 125.7 | 104.5 | 106 | 78.5 | 164 |
| † S&P UK Equity | 5.97 | 298.0 | 105.0 | 38 | 97.3 | 52 |
| † S&P UK Smaller Cos Gth | 5.99 | 53.57 | 104.6 | 87 | 81.3 | 148 |
| SEW Gth | 5.46 | 115.5 | 105.2 | 65 | 107.0 | 3 |
| SEW Smaller Securities | 5.48 | 273.2 | 107.0 | 12 | 91.5 | 66 |
| Schroder Enterprise Acc | 5.98 | 152.6 | 105.6 | 44 | 101.2 | 21 |
| Schroder Recovery (Inst) | 5.95 | 137.7 | 105.3 | 61 | 95.6 | 63 |
| Schroder Smaller Cos | 5.96 | 172.7 | 103.2 | 161 | 84.4 | 128 |
| Schroder UK Sm Cos (Inst) | 6.00 | 102.9 | 103.8 | 141 | 82.4 | 139 |
| Scimitar UK Capital Growth A | 5.64 | 30.52 | 105.4 | 56 | 95.5 | 68 |
| Scot Am Equity | 6.11 | 49.31 | 104.9 | 81 | 97.5 | 50 |
| † Scot Am Equity Strategy | 6.10 | 58.36 | 105.9 | 36 | 95.8 | 63 |
| Scot Am UK Sm Co | 6.11 | 50.10 | 104.7 | 95 | 85.2 | 119 |
| Scot Equit Ethical | 6.47 | 22.85 | 105.2 | 65 | 87.3 | 111 |
| Scot Mut UK Smlr Cos Equity | 8.04 | 224.5 | 103.4 | 155 | 81.5 | 145 |
| Scot Mut UK Spec Sits | 8.01 | 67.73 | 103.8 | 141 | 82.2 | 141 |
| Scot Prov Equity Gth | 6.55 | 21.08 | 104.1 | 130 | 99.2 | 34 |
| † Sovereign UK Gth | 6.26 | 58.18 | 105.0 | 75 | 102.3 | 15 |
| Standard Life UK Equity Gth | 5.89 | 44.47 | 105.0 | 75 | 103.0 | 12 |
| Sun Alliance Equity Trust | 7.00 | 621.7 | 106.2 | 28 | 100.4 | 27 |
| Sun Life Of Canada UK Gth | 6.52 | 34.29 | 103.1 | 164 | 92.7 | 79 |
| Target UK Capital | 6.67 | 84.50 | 104.3 | 117 | 81.3 | 148 |
| Thornton UK Opportunities | 6.48 | 87.29 | 106.4 | 25 | 98.1 | 41 |
| † TR Smaller Companies | 5.88 | 63.88 | 106.9 | 13 | 75.0 | 173 |
| † TR Spec Opportunities | 5.99 | 91.44 | 104.1 | 130 | 70.8 | 179 |
| TSB British Gth | 5.98 | 76.14 | 104.8 | 88 | 105.8 | 5 |
| TSB Environmental Investor | 5.96 | 51.41 | 105.5 | 50 | — | — |
| TSB Select Opportunity | 5.99 | 92.62 | 103.0 | 188 | 94.9 | 68 |
| TSB Smaller Cos | 5.99 | 54.92 | 103.3 | 158 | 83.8 | 129 |
| Tyndall British Lion | 5.67 | 94.97 | 103.4 | 155 | 83.3 | 78 |
| Tyndall Smaller Cos | 5.67 | 75.83 | 102.1 | 178 | 77.0 | 171 |
| UK UTM British Gth | 5.99 | 70.27 | 105.6 | 44 | 91.0 | 91 |
| UK UTM Technical Analysis | 6.00 | 88.43 | 106.2 | 176 | 84.4 | 72 |
| UTAM Frars House Capital | 7.00 | 227.2 | 103.8 | 141 | 97.9 | 44 |
| Wardley UK Gth | 6.50 | 181.0 | 102.9 | 171 | 90.5 | 92 |
| Waverley Penny Share | 6.00 | 26.80 | 104.2 | 123 | 81.4 | 148 |
| † Wessex UK Gth | 4.06 | 123.0 | 104.5 | 106 | 100.1 | 30 |
| Windsor Gth | 6.19 | 79.83 | 104.1 | 130 | 77.1 | 168 |
| Windsor Smaller Companies | 5.87 | 38.32 | 98.6 | 191 | 57.0 | 189 |
| † Yorkshire General | 7.83 | 61.78 | 105.2 | 65 | 82.3 | 140 |

## UK EQUITY INCOME

| Fund | Bid/offer spread (%) | Mid price | 1 month perf | 1 month rank | 1 year perf | 1 year rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbey High Income Equity | 6.50 | 148.2 | 103.6 | 93 | 87.8 | 44 |
| Abtrust Extra Inc | 6.32 | 45.73 | 104.0 | 80 | 98.7 | 49 |
| AEtna High Yield | 5.60 | 95.49 | 104.4 | 63 | 92.2 | 94 |
| AEtna Income & Gth | 5.57 | 357.7 | 103.8 | 90 | 92.3 | 92 |
| AEtna Smaller Cos Dividend | 5.60 | 85.37 | 103.9 | 86 | 75.5 | 118 |
| Alldunbars Income Builder | 5.99 | 51.06 | 102.8 | 107 | 89.5 | 102 |
| † Allied Dunbar Equity Inc | 6.08 | 211.0 | 105.6 | 21 | 98.9 | 30 |
| † Allied Dunbar High Inc | 6.09 | 380.7 | 104.2 | 72 | 105.4 | 5 |
| † Allied Dunbar High Yield | 6.10 | 218.8 | 104.6 | 54 | 98.9 | 30 |
| Arbuthnot Quarterly Inc | 5.67 | 42.34 | 101.3 | 118 | 69.7 | 120 |
| Azzis Inc | 6.98 | 125.02 | 105.7 | 18 | 94.2 | 75 |
| Bank of Ireland Inc Plus | 5.50 | 92.02 | 104.7 | 80 | 106.0 | 4 |
| † Barclays Uni Extra Inc | 6.54 | 107.0 | 104.9 | 44 | 94.4 | 72 |
| Barclays Uni Inc | 6.50 | 481.5 | 104.6 | 54 | 93.6 | 81 |
| Baring Equity Inc | 5.74 | 79.40 | 104.4 | 63 | 96.2 | 53 |
| BG Income Gth | 6.50 | 274.2 | 103.0 | 103 | 93.3 | 83 |
| Brown Dividend | 5.99 | 89.11 | 104.5 | 58 | 82.4 | 114 |
| † Brown Shipley Inc | 6.14 | 108.6 | 104.3 | 68 | 87.7 | 107 |
| † Buckmaster Inc | 5.76 | 173.9 | 106.5 | 8 | 98.3 | 38 |
| Cannon Inc | 6.49 | 52.44 | 105.2 | 34 | 86.7 | 88 |
| † Capital House Income & Gth | 5.99 | 22.56 | 104.2 | 72 | 88.8 | 98 |
| Citicorp UK Dividend | 6.00 | 61.00 | 102.1 | 113 | 101.0 | 12 |
| † Clerical Med Equity High Inc | 5.00 | 65.56 | 104.0 | 80 | 97.0 | 46 |
| Comhill High Inc | 6.01 | 49.47 | 104.7 | 50 | 92.3 | 92 |
| † Crown High Inc | 6.50 | 394.4 | 104.5 | 58 | 88.1 | 86 |
| † CU Inc | 6.00 | 67.56 | 102.4 | 111 | 86.9 | 87 |
| † CU Dealer Inc | 5.93 | 101.20 | 102.8 | 107 | 94.7 | 67 |
| † Eagle Star UK High Inc | 5.99 | 115.6 | 105.7 | 18 | 100.8 | 13 |
| EFM Growth & Inc | 5.88 | 234.6 | 104.8 | 49 | 86.6 | 51 |
| † Equitable High Inc | 5.00 | 116.00 | 105.4 | 28 | 95.5 | 61 |
| † Equity & Law Higher Inc | 6.01 | 319.8 | 106.0 | 14 | 101.9 | 11 |
| Exeter Equity High Inc | 6.27 | 49.71 | 104.2 | 72 | 99.0 | 29 |
| F&C UK Inc | 6.51 | 110.6 | 103.3 | 100 | 100.7 | 15 |
| Fidelity Income Plus | 6.78 | 121.3 | 104.5 | 68 | 92.7 | 86 |
| Fleming Income Portfolio | 2.34 | 83.72 | 105.9 | 15 | 98.1 | 39 |
| † Framlington Extra Inc | 5.47 | 289.5 | 105.6 | 21 | 95.9 | 58 |
| Framlington Monthly Inc | 5.50 | 134.9 | 104.7 | 60 | 88.8 | 100 |
| † Friends Prov S'ships Inc | 6.01 | 57.62 | 104.6 | 54 | 78.4 | 117 |
| † FS Inc Gth | 6.00 | 51.50 | 100.6 | 119 | 90.0 | 59 |
| G Mahon St Vincent High Inc | 2.42 | 120.0 | 106.2 | 11 | 98.6 | 34 |
| † Gartmore Inc | 6.50 | 117.25 | 104.5 | 58 | 93.3 | 83 |
| Gartmore Higher Inc | 4.45 | 130.2 | 103.7 | 92 | 93.5 | 82 |
| Govett UK Progressive Inc | 6.49 | 80.56 | 101.3 | 119 | 55.1 | 64 |
| † Granville Bridge Inc | 6.00 | 225.46 | 100.5 | 25 | 94.2 | 75 |
| GRE Inc | 5.44 | 119.1 | 102.7 | 110 | 88.2 | 84 |
| Gresham Inc | 6.34 | 202.1 | 103.0 | 103 | 93.1 | 65 |
| † GT Inc | 6.58 | 118.60 | 103.6 | 93 | 96.2 | 53 |
| † Guinness Mahon High Inc | 6.54 | 96.37 | 107.5 | 1 | 92.1 | 85 |
| † Hambros Equity Inc | 6.00 | 113.3 | 104.0 | 80 | 88.4 | 103 |
| Hambros High Inc | 6.00 | 84.33 | 104.3 | 68 | 89.7 | 97 |
| Henderson High Inc | 6.78 | 295.07 | 107.1 | 3 | 90.6 | 60 |
| Henderson Sm Cos Div | 8.43 | 157.32 | 104.9 | 44 | 73.2 | 119 |
| Hill Samuel High Yield | 6.50 | 94.33 | 103.5 | 95 | 83.9 | 89 |
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## STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

# Firm end to account

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began June 11. Dealings ended yesterday. §Contango day June 25. Settlement day July 2. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

**Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks.**

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## *Portfolio* PLATINUM

From your Portfolio Platinum card check your eight share price movements on this page only. Add these prices to your running total for the week and check this against the weekly dividend figure on this page. If it matches this figure, you have won outright or a share of the total weekly prize money stated. If you win, follow the claim procedure on the back of your card. You must always have your card available when claiming. Game rules appear on the back of your card.

| No. | Company | Group | Gain or loss |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Ultramar (aa) | Oil,Gas | |
| 2 | Sainsbury J (aa) | Foods | |
| 3 | Blue Circle (aa) | Building,Roads | |
| 4 | Nat Aust Bk | Banks,Discount | |
| 5 | Hazlewood Foods | Foods | |
| 6 | TSB (aa) | Banks,Discount | |
| 7 | TIP Europe | Transport | |
| 8 | South West | Water | |
| 9 | Mowlem (John) | Building,Roads | |
| 10 | Watmough | Paper,Print,Adv | |
| 11 | HTV Group | Leisure | |
| 12 | Bowthorpe | Electricals | |
| 13 | Woodside | Oil,Gas | |
| 14 | Aus New Z | Banks,Discount | |
| 15 | Honda Motor | Motors,Aircraft | |
| 16 | Smith&l Beech (aa) | Industrials S-Z | |
| 17 | Beazer PLC (aa) | Building,Roads | |
| 18 | Cabra Est | Industrials A-D | |
| 19 | Hutchsn Whampoa | Industrials E-K | |
| 20 | Micro Focus | Electricals | |
| 21 | Arnwoods | Building,Roads | |
| 22 | Tarmac (aa) | Building,Roads | |
| 23 | Lex | Motors,Aircraft | |
| 24 | Rosehaugh | Property | |
| 25 | Dixons Grp (aa) | Drapery,Stores | |
| 26 | Yorkshire Water | Water | |
| 27 | Welsh Water | Water | |
| 28 | Taylor Woodrow (aa) | Building,Roads | |
| 29 | Bullough | Industrials A-D | |
| 30 | Wimpey G (aa) | Building,Roads | |
| 31 | Fisons (aa) | Industrials E-K | |
| 32 | Gibbs & Dandy Ord | Building,Roads | |
| 33 | Gt Western Res | Oil,Gas | |
| 34 | Wolstenholme Rink | Chemicals,Plas | |
| 35 | Costain | Building,Roads | |
| 36 | Stanley Leisure | Leisure | |
| 37 | Priest Marians | Property | |
| 38 | BAT (aa) | Tobaccos | |
| 39 | Greycoat | Property | |
| 40 | Persimmon | Building,Roads | |
| 41 | Beauford | Industrials A-D | |
| 42 | Glaxo (aa) | Industrials E-K | |
| 43 | Rank Org (aa) | Industrials L-R | |
| 44 | Glynwed (aa) | Industrials E-K | |
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**Weekly Dividend**

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in today's newspaper.

| MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | Weekly Total |
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Three winners shared the £4,000 Portfolio Platinum prize yesterday. Mrs Nancy Briggs, of West Cowes, Isle of Wight, Captain Antony Hands, of Romsey, Hampshire, and Mrs B Bates of Brighton, Sussex.

## *Portfolio* PLATINUM

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**WEEKLY DIVIDEND £8,000**

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### BRITISH FUNDS

| 1990 High | Low | Stock | Price | Ch'ge | Int. only yield | Gross Red. yield |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

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### BANKS, DISCOUNT HP

| 1990 High | Low | Company | Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

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# Pensions age ruling fails to emerge

LIFE and pensions companies this week criticised the government for failing to rule on a new retirement age for men and women (Jon Ashworth writes).

They fear that uncertainty over whether the retirement age should be 60 or 65 could cost them hundreds of millions of pounds in extra benefits. It could also encourage companies to switch from occupational to private schemes.

The confusion follows a recent European Court ruling that men and women in occupational pension schemes should receive the same retirement benefits. Women can usually retire aged 60 while men are expected to work until they turn 65. Women also receive the state pension five years earlier than men.

Gillian Shepherd, social security undersecretary, said this week that there was still uncertainty about the legal implications of the judgment for occupational schemes. She announced a small technical amendment, but had no guidelines on what the new state retirement age should be.

The growing pressure to reduce the state retirement age for men will encourage companies to make private pension arrangements for their staff. This would help them avoid the prospect of paying hundreds of millions of pounds more to their employees under existing group schemes.

Making 60 the standard age would put huge financial pressure on companies, since they would have to pay more to their staff over a longer period. Many companies which have introduced equal retirement ages in recent years have set them at 65.

The Labour party said this week it would overhaul the state earnings related pensions scheme (Serps) if it wins the next general election. Michael Meacher, shadow secretary for social security, gave a warning that investors who tried to switch back into Serps after a Labour victory risked losing nearly half their investment because of the high level of commission charged by pension providers.

# Insurers prepare to push up home and car rates after turbulent year

By Jon Ashworth

BRITISH families should brace themselves for a sharp increase in insurance premiums in the wake of devastating storms, rampant inflation and an ever rising number of claims.

The Association of British Insurers (ABI) has given warning that it will cost more to insure cars and home contents. Buildings insurance is set to rise for the first time in nearly two years.

All the big insurance companies say their rates are under review. Many have already raised motor premiums and predict further increases in the pipeline.

The ABI stated that insurance companies would have to raise premiums by 16 per cent or more to make up for rising losses.

This would add £37 a year to the cost of insuring a four bedroom house in Guildford, Surrey, and £30 a year to the cost of a typical car insurance policy.

The ABI said many families would pay between £75 and £80 more annually, because of a sharp rise in underwriting losses last year. In 1989, insurance companies made an estimated underwriting loss of £296 million on general claims, against a profit of more than £400 million in 1988.

The insurance companies admitted they are reviewing their rates, but said it was wrong to generalise. Much depends on where people live, how old they are and how frequently they are likely to claim.

Michael Auld, of Guardian Royal Exchange, said it was true that insurers would have to raise premiums to cope with mounting losses. But he added that it was more difficult to pin down what individual rises were likely to be.

Mr Auld said: "Each company is at different stages of the premium cycle, and claims may be higher or lower. Every commercial enterprise would want to balance its books, and insurers would do this by raising premiums. But insurance is a competitive business."

GRE raised its motor rates by 3 per cent this month. In December, comprehensive premiums rose 4 per cent, while third party cover climbed 6 per cent. Buildings insurance rates were last increased in August 1988, but Mr Auld said storm damage and subsidence had increased pressure to review them. Any *large increase may not follow* until the end of the year, when insurers traditionally review their underwriting premiums.

Prudential last reviewed its household and buildings insurance rates in July 1988. Mark Trayhorn, head of personal lines, said reinsurance costs would rise sharply next year because of the huge claims made after the storms in January and February and the company is likely to increase its rates in the autumn.

Prudential motor premiums are likely to rise by 6 per cent in October, despite a similar increase in April.

Sun Alliance, Britain's biggest household insurer, said it was reviewing the rates on home contents policies. Philip Dell, underwriting manager (household), said insurers were taking a fresh look at the way they assess premiums.

Mr Dell said: "A few years ago most of the claims were for water damage. The mild winters have resulted in fewer burst pipes but there has been *more storm damage* and subsidence."

At the moment, Sun Alliance policyholders pay £291 in buildings and contents cover on a typical three bedroom semi-detached home in central London valued at £71,000. An increase of 10 per cent, barely in line with inflation, would increase the premium to £320.

The cost of insuring a similar home in Guildford could rise from £186 to as much as £223, while the £162 premium on a home in Norfolk could rise to £194 at the upper end of the scale.

For motorists, the rise could be even more dramatic. In one of the most expensive cases, a 26-year-old male driving a 1988 VW 1600 Golf in Wimbledon with a £50 excess, the current premium of £494 would soar 15 per cent to £568. In an average case, a 45-year-old driving a new Vauxhall Carlton 1800 GL in Guildford, the present premium of £184 would rise to £212.

*Norwich Union*, the largest motor insurer, said it raised new business rates by an average of 10 per cent in April and increased premiums for existing customers by a similar amount this month.

No increase in the cost of buildings cover is planned, even though the 1990 storms are expected to cost £60 million in claims. A spokesman said the mild winter had helped to balance the extra expense.

John Simpson, a general manager with Royal Insurance, said the group faced claims of £190 million from the January storms and £50 million from the gales in February. He said rate rises were likely later in the year.

Eagle Star said it was reviewing all its premiums, and agreed with the ABI that underwriting losses would *have an expensive impact*. But a spokeswoman said it was impossible to say whether a 16 per cent increase would apply to all classes of business.

General Accident, which increased motor rates by 5 per cent in May, said it was closely monitoring the situation. A spokesman said it was possible that more increases would follow, but said it had no immediate plans to do so.

Direct Line Insurance said insurers were reluctant to increase motor rates because of growing competition. "It's going to be a brave man that steps forward with the first increase," said a spokesman.

Martin Long of Churchill Insurance, a specialist motor insurer, said he expected motor rates to rise by no more than 10 per cent because of the competition for new business.

"A 16 per cent hike is probably what the market needs, but competition being what it is, I would be surprised if it went over 10 per cent."

Through the roof: storm damage has been a major factor in raising costs and premium rates among insurers

# Motorists offered escape route for tax on company mileage allowance

By Lindsay Cook, Money Editor

MOTORISTS who use their own cars for work may be able to escape the extra tax bills announced by the Inland Revenue this week. From next April the mileage allowance will be taxed of about 300,000 employees who drive more than 4,000 miles a year for their companies.

The changes will be implemented through the fixed profit car scheme, which is the administrative arrangement most employers use to account for mileage allowances paid to staff using their cars for work. It has been revised because the Inland Revenue believes that people who use their cars for business can make a profit on the mileage allowances paid.

Under the new rules employees will be able to receive between 24.5p and 43p a mile for the first 4,000 miles a year without paying any tax. Additional mileage will be taxed if employers pay more than 9.5p for cars up to 1,000 cc. The maximum tax-free allowance will be 16.5p on cars of 2,000 cc and more.

This would mean the owner of a powerful car receiving the maximum 43p would pay 6.6p tax for every mile over 4,000 miles as a basic rate taxpayer. A 40 per cent taxpayer would pay 10.6p a mile.

National insurance contributions could also be deducted from mileage profits. Employees should continue to receive their mileage payments in full and then any tax due will be deducted from their weekly or monthly pay. And as they are deemed to be profits, the guidance of the social security department is that they should be subject to NI contributions.

But the Revenue confirmed yesterday that drivers may be able to escape paying the additional tax if they keep detailed records of their motoring costs. Even where employers use the fixed profit scheme they can opt to have their affairs dealt with separately.

"Individual motorists are not bound by these figures. They can apply to be treated separately and can then apply all the costs to their business motoring."

Someone who uses their car very little for private motoring who has high insurance, suffers substantial depreciation and heavy repair costs might be able to persuade the Inland Revenue that they had made no profit on their business motoring at all. This is likely to be easier for people living in the Southeast and large cities, who pay the highest insurance and repair bills.

The scheme is backdated to April 6, but under transitional arrangements drivers will not have to pay additional tax this year unless their mileage allowances are raised out of line with motoring costs. In subsequent years the additional chargeable amount will be limited to £1,000 in each year.

All employees who use their cars for business will be able to claim relief for depreciation. At present employees can only claim for depreciation under the capital allowances rules if all employees doing the same job have to provide a car for it.

About 2 million employees receive mileage allowances each year but the government estimates only 15 per cent use their cars for more than 4,000 miles a year. High business mileage drivers have been given excessive relief for standing costs such as insurance and car tax and can receive more than the total costs incurred, said the Revenue.

Currently motorists can receive 24.5p a mile tax-free for cars up to 1,000 cc for any number of miles, 30p up to 1,500 cc and 34p above 1,500 cc. Owners of cars 2,000 cc and more can be paid 43p under the new rules. Over 4,000 miles the difference between the rate paid and the tax-free rate will be liable to tax. The tax-free rates are 9.5p, 11.5p, 13.5p and 16.5p.

If the same rate of mileage allowance is used for all cars the average of the two middle bands will be used. This will allow tax-free motoring at 32p a mile for the first 4,000 miles and 12.5p thereafter.

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| Bull | 15.15 | 15.95 | -0.04 | .. |
| Stag | 15.38 | 16.17 | -0.09 | .. |
| Gilt Edged | 12.2 | | | |
| Deposit | 12.41 | | +0.02 | .. |
| Pensions | | | | |
| Squirrel | 16.99 | 17.89 | +0.04 | .. |
| Bear | 17.38 | 18.30 | -0.22 | .. |
| Owl | 22.00 | 23.16 | -0.18 | .. |
| Bull | 19.26 | 20.28 | -0.06 | .. |
| Stag | 18.54 | 19.52 | -0.12 | .. |
| Gilt Edged | 14.0 | | | |
| Deposit | 14.52 | | +0.03 | .. |
| Exempt App Mixed | 206.2 | 210.4 | -0.16 | .. |
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| 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL | | | | |
| 0202 292373 | | | | |
| Property Fund Inc | 293.7 | 309.2 | -5.8 | .. |
| Do Accum | 482.6 | 478.1 | -8.5 | .. |
| Equity Fund Income | 131.5 | 138.5 | -5.9 | .. |
| Do Accum | 157.0 | 165.3 | -2.2 | .. |
| Selective Fund | 364.4 | 373.1 | -3.8 | .. |
| Money Fund | 282.2 | 297.1 | +0.5 | .. |
| Prop Fd Ser 4 | [illegible] | 379.6 | -3.2 | .. |
| Equity Ser 4 | 159.4 | 167.8 | -1.7 | .. |
| Man Ser 4 | 460.3 | 474.0 | -3.8 | .. |
| Conv Ser 4 | 261.0 | 264.3 | +0.5 | .. |
| Money Ser 4 | 290.8 | 264.1 | +0.5 | .. |
| Fixed Int Fd Ser 4 | 222.4 | 234.2 | +0.5 | .. |
| American Ser 4 | 324.6 | 341.8 | -1.9 | .. |
| High Inc Ser 4 | 479.1 | 504.4 | -1.8 | .. |
| Indexed Inv Ser 4 | 147.1 | 154.9 | -0.3 | .. |
| Japan Ser 4 | 298.4 | 314.2 | -4.2 | .. |
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| Fixed Int Acc | 347.8 | 366.1 | +0.9 | .. |
| Gtd Money Fd Acc | 257.4 | 270.9 | +0.4 | .. |
| Intl Man Fd Acc | 412.2 | 433.9 | -2.9 | .. |
| Int Fxd Int Fd Acc | 210.6 | 221.6 | -0.3 | .. |
| Japan Fund | 297.7 | 313.3 | -4.0 | .. |
| Nth American Fd Acc | 225.0 | 236.8 | -2.8 | .. |
| Prop Fd Acc | 338.3 | 356.1 | +0.3 | .. |
| Multiple Inv Acc | 740.8 | 779.7 | -5.1 | .. |
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| 0793-514514 | | | | |
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| Equity Accum | [illegible] | 974.8 | -7.0 | .. |
| Property Accum | 491.0 | 516.9 | -0.1 | .. |
| Far East Accum | 205.4 | 216.3 | -2.8 | .. |
| Managed Capital | 398.6 | 419.6 | -2.7 | .. |
| Do Accum | 722.0 | 760.0 | -4.7 | .. |
| Overseas Accum | 639.3 | 673.0 | -3.4 | .. |
| Gilt Edged Accum | 312.1 | 328.6 | +1.2 | .. |
| Amer Equity Accum | 480.5 | 505.8 | -4.1 | .. |
| Amer Man Accum | 218.9 | 230.5 | -1.9 | .. |
| Amer Prop Accum | 133.6 | 140.7 | -0.8 | .. |
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| Freephone 0800 833 580 | | | | |
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| High Income | 215.7 | 227.1 | | .. |
| Income & Growth | 296.6 | 312.3 | -1.05 | .. |
| Basic Resource | 140.4 | 147.8 | -2.04 | .. |
| American | 207.4 | 218.3 | -1.67 | .. |
| Japan & General | 451.5 | 475.3 | -13.27 | .. |
| Special Situations | 249.0 | 262.1 | +1.12 | .. |
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| 081-534 5544 | | | | |
| Equity Accum | 598.8 | 630.4 | -4.8 | .. |
| Do Initial | 459.1 | 483.3 | .. | .. |
| Gilt Edged Accum | 236.0 | 248.5 | .. | .. |
| Do Initial | 180.1 | 189.6 | .. | .. |
| International Accum | 304.7 | 320.8 | -3.8 | .. |
| Do Initial | 244.0 | 256.9 | | .. |
| Managed Accum | 387.8 | 408.3 | -3.1 | .. |
| Do Initial | 300.3 | 316.2 | -3.3 | .. |
| Money Accum | 223.4 | 235.2 | +0.6 | .. |
| Do Initial | 168.1 | 177.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Property Accum | 315.1 | 331.7 | +0.3 | .. |
| Do Initial | 242.4 | 255.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| America Accum | 183.5 | 193.2 | -4.9 | .. |
| Do Initial | 144.4 | 152.0 | -4.2 | .. |
| Australia Accum | 159.1 | 167.5 | +2.1 | .. |
| Do Initial | 125.4 | 132.0 | +1.3 | .. |
| Financial Accum | 252.3 | 265.6 | -0.8 | .. |
| Do Initial | 198.4 | 208.9 | -1.0 | .. |
| 500 Accum | 319.1 | 335.9 | -1.0 | .. |
| Do Initial | 247.3 | 260.4 | -1.5 | .. |
| Japan &Gen Acc 2 | 388.6 | 409.1 | -8.6 | .. |
| Do Initial 2 | 299.4 | 315.2 | -7.5 | .. |
| Income Accum | 368.6 | 388.0 | -1.4 | .. |
| Do Initial | 288.5 | 303.7 | -4.4 | .. |
| Leisure Accum | 208.4 | 219.4 | -1.7 | .. |
| Special Sits Accum | 151.0 | 159.0 | -1.4 | .. |
| Univ Tech Accum | 118.9 | 125.2 | -2.5 | .. |
| Do Initial | 95.7 | 100.6 | -1.9 | .. |
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| 0634 834000 | | | | |
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| Income Fund | 567.6 | 597.5 | +3.06 | .. |
| Extra Income Fund | 507.0 | 533.7 | +18.04 | .. |
| Worldwide Grwth Fd | 377.9 | 397.8 | -5.15 | .. |
| Balanced Fund | 472.6 | 497.5 | +13.87 | .. |
| Smlr Co's & Rc Fd | 500.7 | 527.0 | +4.45 | .. |
| Int Technology Fund | 384.9 | 405.2 | -3.28 | .. |
| N Amer & Gen Fund | 274.9 | 289.4 | -3.49 | .. |
| Energy Int Fund | 154.5 | 162.7 | -0.08 | .. |
| Pacific Basin Fund | 314.8 | 331.3 | -5.89 | .. |
| German Growth Fd | 185.0 | 194.8 | -3.96 | .. |
| Japan Growth Fd | 179.9 | 189.4 | -5.62 | .. |
| The UK Gth Fd | 158.0 | 166.3 | +2.30 | .. |
| Cons Euro Gth | 104.5 | 110.0 | -0.70 | .. |
| Property Fund | 319.3 | 336.1 | -0.74 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 209.4 | 220.5 | +5.35 | .. |
| Cash Fund | 221.3 | 232.9 | +0.38 | .. |
| Managed Inv Fund | 344.5 | 362.7 | +1.76 | .. |
| Nth Amer Recov | 156.9 | 165.2 | +0.85 | .. |
| Abtrust Fund | | | | |
| Managed Growth | 378.7 | 398.7 | -5.74 | .. |
| Managed Income | 138.9 | 146.3 | -0.84 | .. |
| **CANADA LIFE** | | | | |
| 2-6, High St, Potters Bar, Herts | | | | |
| P Bar 51122 | | | | |
| Equity Growth | 204.5 | | | .. |
| Managed | 231.4 | 243.6 | -1.3 | .. |
| Property | 190.1 | 200.1 | -0.2 | .. |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 153.2 | 161.3 | +0.5 | .. |
| Index-Linked | 144.3 | 151.9 | -0.3 | .. |
| Equity | 255.8 | 269.3 | -1.1 | .. |
| Cash | 173.1 | 182.3 | -0.1 | .. |
| Midland Bk UT | 243.6 | 256.5 | -1.7 | .. |
| Midland Bk Int | 265.7 | 279.7 | -3.2 | .. |
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| 2nd Equity Accum | 451.8 | 478.1 | -3.9 | .. |
| 2nd High Inc/Accum | 433.3 | 456.5 | -1.2 | .. |
| 2nd Property Accum | 297.8 | 314.9 | .. | .. |
| 2nd Managed 2 Acc | 136.7 | 144.8 | -0.3 | .. |
| 2nd Managed Acc | 329.5 | 348.7 | -2.4 | .. |
| 2nd Managed 4 Acc | 184.0 | 193.0 | -1.2 | .. |
| 2nd Deposit Accum | 221.4 | 234.3 | +0.2 | .. |
| 2nd Gilt Accum | 201.3 | 213.0 | -0.4 | .. |
| 2nd Amer Accum | 325.7 | 344.7 | -8.9 | .. |
| 2nd Intl Money Ac | 195.6 | 207.0 | -0.3 | .. |
| 2nd Index Accum | 134.1 | 141.9 | .. | .. |
| 2nd Far East Accum | 300.0 | 327.0 | -3.0 | .. |
| 2nd Global Accum | 106.5 | 112.8 | -1.6 | .. |
| 2nd Euro Accum | 134.3 | 142.1 | +0.1 | .. |
| 2nd Japan Accum | 178.3 | 188.6 | -2.1 | .. |
| 2nd Heritage Acc | 73.7 | 78.0 | -0.2 | .. |
| 2nd Intl Curr Bond | 99.8 | 105.6 | -0.2 | .. |
| 2nd Smal Opp Acc | 97.5 | 103.2 | -0.6 | .. |
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| 0908-606101 | | | | |
| Property Fund | 224.8 | 236.7 | | .. |
| Money Fund | 290.8 | 306.2 | +0.6 | .. |
| Managed Fund | 498.8 | 525.1 | -1.5 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 349.0 | 367.4 | +1.0 | .. |
| *Fixed Interest Fund* | 165.0 | 173.7 | -0.9 | .. |
| Far East Fund | 405.4 | 426.8 | -9.8 | .. |
| Nth Amer Fund | 138.7 | 146.0 | -4.4 | .. |
| Nat Resources Fund | 242.8 | 255.6 | -1.4 | .. |
| Alexandra Fund | 113.2 | 119.2 | | .. |
| **CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL** | | | | |
| Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH | | | | |
| 0272 290566 | | | | |
| Assurance Funds | | | | |
| Sapphire Mixed | 199.6 | 210.1 | -1.3 | .. |
| Ruby | 118.4 | 124.7 | -1.3 | .. |
| Emerald | 105.1 | 110.7 | +0.4 | .. |
| Equity | 225.6 | 237.6 | -2.0 | .. |
| Property | 205.2 | 216.1 | | .. |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 132.6 | 139.6 | +1.0 | .. |
| Indexed Secs | 121.7 | 128.2 | -0.1 | .. |
| Cash | 142.5 | 150.0 | +0.2 | .. |
| Nth American | 136.9 | 144.2 | -3.1 | .. |
| Far East | 207.8 | 218.8 | -5.8 | .. |
| International | 188.5 | 198.1 | -2.0 | .. |
| Special Sits | 225.8 | 237.7 | -3.1 | .. |
| Intl Income | 206.7 | 217.6 | -1.1 | .. |
| American Inc | 123.6 | 130.4 | -3.8 | .. |
| European | 251.2 | 264.6 | +2.4 | .. |
| Japanese | 136.7 | 143.9 | -4.6 | .. |
| SE Asia | 197.8 | 208.0 | +0.6 | .. |
| Home Inv WP Reg | 114.2 | 120.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| Home Inv WP Spec | 114.2 | 120.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| Flexible Retirement Plans Funds | | | | |
| Mixed | 210.6 | 221.7 | -1.6 | .. |
| Equity | 236.3 | 248.8 | -2.2 | .. |
| Property | 176.2 | 185.5 | -1.1 | .. |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 147.4 | 155.2 | +0.7 | .. |
| Index Linked | 130.3 | 137.2 | -0.1 | .. |
| Cash | 172.9 | 182.0 | +0.4 | .. |
| Nth American | 154.6 | 162.8 | -3.3 | .. |
| Far East Acc | 248.6 | 258.6 | -7.0 | .. |
| International Acc | 190.2 | 200.3 | -1.9 | .. |
| Special Sits | 318.2 | 335.0 | -5.7 | .. |
| European Flex | 329.9 | 347.3 | +2.2 | .. |
| **COLONIAL MUTUAL** | | | | |
| 24 Ludgate Hill, London EC4P 4BD | | | | |
| 071-248 9861 | | | | |
| CML U Ass.Key | 191.78 | | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:Pacemkr | 247.44 | | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:Cash | 155.7 | 167.7 | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:Equity | 403.8 | 425.1 | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:FI | 214.6 | 225.9 | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:Mngd | 296.6 | 312.2 | .. | .. |
| CML U Ass:Prop | 313.8 | 330.3 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Cash Cap | 169.0 | 178.1 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Cash Inv | 212.5 | 223.7 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Eqty Cap | £11.36 | 11.96 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Eqty Inv | £14.22 | 14.97 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Fxd Cap | 252.1 | 265.4 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Fxd Inv | 315.5 | 332.1 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Indx Cap | 161.5 | 170.0 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Indx Inv | 202.1 | 212.8 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Man Cap | 451.3 | 475.1 | .. | .. |
| CML(Pen):Man Inv | 564.8 | 594.5 | .. | .. |
| **COMMERCIAL UNION** | | | | |
| St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3 | | | | |
| 071-283 7500 | | | | |
| Var Ann Accum (5) | 459.22 | | .. | .. |
| Var Ann (5) | 83.4 | | .. | .. |
| Prime- Managed | 297.0 | 312.7 | -2.4 | .. |
| Prime- UK Equity | 363.1 | 382.3 | -3.8 | .. |
| Prime- Int Equity | 229.5 | 241.6 | -3.0 | .. |
| Prime- Property | 224.6 | 236.5 | +0.1 | .. |
| Prime- Fixed Interest | 152.2 | 160.3 | +0.7 | .. |
| Prime- Index-Linked | 126.2 | 132.9 | -0.2 | .. |
| Prime- Cash | 158.3 | 166.7 | +0.3 | .. |
| **CONFEDERATION LIFE** | | | | |
| 50 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE | | | | |
| 071-242 0282 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 833.0 | 876.8 | .. | .. |
| Equity Fund | £11.51 | 12.12 | .. | .. |
| PIP Fund | £35.762 | | .. | .. |
| **CROWN FINANCIAL** | | | | |
| Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW | | | | |
| 04862 5033 | | | | |
| Life Managed Acc | 421.0 | 443.1 | -1.9 | .. |
| Life Fixed Int Accum | 234.0 | 246.3 | +1.8 | .. |
| Life Equity Accum | 565.6 | 595.5 | -1.1 | .. |
| Life Money Accum | 230.7 | 242.8 | +0.4 | .. |
| Life Inv Trust Accum | 538.5 | 566.8 | -1.1 | .. |
| Life Intl Accum | 393.2 | 413.8 | -6.4 | .. |
| Life High Inc Accum | 562.4 | 592.0 | -1.7 | .. |
| Life Property Accum | 233.6 | 245.9 | +0.3 | .. |
| Crown Brit Inv A | 773.1 | 850.9 | | .. |
| Brewin Equity | 635.2 | 668.6 | +0.1 | .. |
| DBS Managed | 244.8 | 257.6 | -1.8 | .. |
| *Growth Accum* | 329.5 | 346.8 | -1.5 | .. |
| **CRUSADER INSURANCE** | | | | |
| Reigate Surrey RH2 8BL | | | | |
| 07372 42424 | | | | |
| Measured perf | 111.7 | 118.2 | -1.0 | .. |
| Performance Plus | 110.7 | 117.1 | -0.8 | .. |
| [illegible] | 125.9 | 132.0 | +0.1 | .. |
| UK Opportunity | 139.8 | 147.9 | -1.6 | .. |
| Euro Opportunity | 144.3 | 153.7 | -0.2 | .. |
| Norm Amer Opp | 96.6 | 101.4 | -2.6 | .. |
| Far East Opp | 135.8 | 142.7 | -0.6 | .. |
| Gth Prop Series 1 | 187.5 | 197.3 | | .. |
| Gth Prop Series 2 | 157.9 | 167.1 | +0.1 | .. |
| Fixed Int | 110.9 | 117.4 | -0.1 | .. |
| Cash | 122.0 | 128.1 | +0.2 | .. |
| Managed Pens | 414.4 | 422.9 | | .. |
| Overseas | 116.5 | 123.2 | -1.3 | .. |
| **EAGLE STAR INSURANCE** | | | | |
| Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ | | | | |
| 0242 221311 | | | | |
| Secure Fund | 134.2 | 141.3 | +0.9 | .. |
| Blue Chip Fund | 169.8 | 178.8 | +0.7 | .. |
| Adventurous Fund | 175.1 | 184.4 | -1.3 | .. |
| Performance Fund | 190.3 | 200.4 | -0.8 | .. |
| **EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND** | | | | |
| 1 Threadneedle St, London EC2 | | | | |
| 01-588 1212 | | | | |
| Eagle/Midland Units | 198.9 | 206.1 | -1.2 | 3.98 |
| **EQUITY & LAW** | | | | |
| Amersham Road, High Wycombe | | | | |
| 0494 463463 | | | | |
| Reserve | | | | |
| Balced (Mxd) | 486.7 | 512.3 | -3.6 | .. |
| Opportunity | 122.8 | 129.2 | -1.5 | .. |
| UK Equities | 644.4 | 678.3 | -7.8 | .. |
| Higher Inc | 677.1 | 712.7 | -1.2 | .. |
| North Amer | 280.5 | 295.2 | -8.0 | .. |
| Far East | 380.6 | 400.6 | -6.2 | .. |
| Europe | 345.6 | 363.9 | -1.2 | .. |
| Intnl | 384.6 | 405.0 | -4.5 | .. |
| Property | 492.7 | 518.6 | +0.4 | .. |
| Fixed Int | 273.7 | 288.1 | +0.6 | .. |
| Ind-Lnkd Sec | 131.0 | 137.9 | -0.3 | .. |
| G'teed Depst | 224.7 | 236.5 | +0.4 | .. |
| **FRIENDS' PROVIDENT** | | | | |
| Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH | | | | |
| 0722 336242 | | | | |
| Managed (Mixed) | 219.7 | 231.3 | -2.2 | .. |
| UK Equity | 279.0 | 293.7 | -3.6 | .. |
| Stewardship | 242.4 | 255.2 | -0.3 | .. |
| Overseas Equity | 213.2 | 224.5 | -2.0 | .. |
| North American | 110.8 | 116.5 | -2.3 | .. |
| Pacific Basin | 113.4 | 119.4 | -1.4 | .. |
| European | 161.5 | 170.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Property | 207.5 | 218.5 | | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 143.4 | 151.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Index Linked | 120.3 | 126.7 | -0.8 | .. |
| Cash | 151.6 | 159.6 | +0.2 | .. |
| **GT MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| 8th Floor 8 Devonshire Square London EC2M 4YJ | | | | |
| 071-283 2575 | | | | |
| GT Plan Bond Fund | 192.7 | 202.9 | -1.8 | .. |
| GT Plan High Yield | 285.0 | 300.1 | -4.9 | .. |
| GT Plan Far East | 311.1 | 327.5 | -4.0 | .. |
| *GT Plan North Amer* | 150.2 | 158.5 | -2.5 | .. |
| GT Plan UK & GE | 375.8 | 395.6 | -4.9 | .. |
| GT Plan Worldwide | 323.9 | 341.0 | -3.5 | .. |
| **GENERAL ACCIDENT LINKED LIFE** | | | | |
| 2, Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR | | | | |
| 0904 628982 | | | | |
| Managed | 157.4 | 165.5 | -1.0 | .. |
| UK Equity | 203.8 | 214.5 | -1.3 | .. |
| Fixed Int | 129.9 | 136.6 | +0.5 | .. |
| Index-Linked | 122.5 | 128.6 | -0.1 | .. |
| Cash Deposit | 135.6 | 142.6 | +0.2 | .. |
| Property | 168.0 | 176.7 | +0.3 | .. |
| International | 135.7 | 142.8 | -1.3 | .. |
| American | 105.3 | 110.9 | -1.7 | .. |
| Japan | 226.9 | 238.8 | -2.1 | .. |
| Japan Smlr Co's | 232.8 | 244.9 | -2.1 | .. |
| European | 149.7 | 157.5 | +0.8 | .. |
| Pacific Fund | 158.8 | 167.1 | -2.4 | .. |
| Conv Life | 102.4 | 107.7 | +0.2 | .. |
| **GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE** | | | | |
| General Portfolio Hse, Harlow Essex CM20 2EW | | | | |
| 0892 31971 | | | | |
| Portfolio Fd Acc | 543.1 | | -2.1 | .. |
| Do Init | 343.1 | | -1.6 | .. |
| *Do Inv a* | 543.0 | 571.6 | -2.2 | .. |
| UK Equity | 290.8 | 306.1 | -2.3 | .. |
| Smaller Cos | 169.5 | 178.4 | +1.4 | .. |
| Gilt Plus | 139.1 | 146.5 | -0.1 | .. |
| Do 88 | 142.7 | 150.3 | | .. |
| Managed | 230.2 | 242.5 | -1.0 | .. |
| Inter Man | 205.1 | 216.0 | -0.5 | .. |
| **GRESHAM UNIT** | | | | |
| 2-6, Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth | | | | |
| 0202 752000 | | | | |
| Managed Bond | 541.5 | 570.6 | -1.6 | .. |
| Money Fund | 244.1 | 257.0 | +0.6 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 464.0 | 488.9 | +15.6 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 187.0 | 197.1 | +0.4 | .. |
| Property Fund | 325.3 | 342.8 | .. | .. |
| Gresham Framlington | | | | |
| American & General | 280.7 | 295.6 | -5.5 | .. |
| Income | 531.2 | 559.7 | -1.2 | .. |
| International Grwth | 357.0 | 376.2 | -7.7 | .. |
| Capital Fund | 443.0 | 466.8 | -1.2 | .. |
| Recovery Fund | 369.7 | 389.6 | -4.5 | .. |
| Japan & General | 269.1 | 283.6 | -4.6 | .. |
| **GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE** | | | | |
| Royal Exchange London EC3 | | | | |
| 071-283 7101 | | | | |
| Ass Prop Bds | 710.0 | 745.6 | | .. |
| Managed Initial | 386.5 | 406.9 | -3.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 498.6 | 524.9 | +0.4 | .. |
| Equity Initial | 591.6 | 622.7 | +0.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 763.0 | 803.2 | +0.4 | .. |
| Fixed Int Initial | 278.6 | 293.2 | -0.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 359.8 | 378.8 | | .. |
| Intl Initial | 370.0 | 389.5 | -1.7 | .. |
| Do Accum | 477.3 | 502.4 | -2.1 | .. |
| Nth Amer Initial | 122.9 | 129.4 | -1.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 144.3 | 151.9 | -1.2 | .. |
| Pacific Initial | 214.9 | 226.2 | -3.0 | .. |
| Do Accum | 249.5 | 262.6 | -3.4 | .. |
| Property Initial | 205.9 | 216.6 | .. | .. |
| Do Accum | 265.2 | 279.1 | .. | .. |
| Index-Linked Initial | 127.9 | 134.7 | -0.9 | .. |
| Do Accum | 150.2 | 158.1 | -0.8 | .. |
| Deposit Initial | 164.2 | 172.8 | +0.2 | .. |
| Do Accum | 211.8 | 222.9 | +0.3 | .. |
| Euro Initial | 92.5 | 97.4 | +0.7 | .. |
| Do Accum | 100.4 | 105.7 | +0.8 | .. |
| **HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| 41 Tower Hill London EC3N 4HA | | | | |
| 071-702 [illegible] | | | | |
| Managed | 115.0 | 121.0 | -0.7 | .. |
| Do Pens | 124.0 | 130.5 | -0.8 | .. |
| UK Equity | 109.1 | 114.8 | -0.5 | .. |
| Do Pens | 112.8 | 118.8 | -0.5 | .. |
| International | 111.1 | 116.9 | -0.9 | .. |
| Do Pens | 114.9 | 120.9 | -1.2 | .. |
| Deposit | 109.2 | 114.9 | +0.2 | .. |
| Do Pens | 117.8 | 124.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| **HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION** | | | | |
| 3, Finsbury Ave London EC2M 2PA | | | | |
| 071-638 5757 | | | | |
| UK Equity Inc | 316.2 | 332.7 | -0.7 | .. |
| UK Capital Gth | 293.3 | 308.8 | -1.2 | .. |
| Global Equity | 334.5 | 353.1 | -0.8 | .. |
| North America Fund | 248.0 | 259.7 | -4.8 | .. |
| Far East Fund | 381.2 | 402.4 | -1.4 | .. |
| Managed Fund | 331.6 | 350.0 | -1.4 | .. |
| Deposit Fund | 175.0 | 184.3 | +0.4 | .. |
| Prime Residential | 143.3 | 150.8 | .. | .. |
| European Fund | 226.6 | 238.2 | -0.2 | .. |
| Property Share Fd | 167.4 | 176.3 | -1.4 | .. |
| **HILL SAMUEL LIFE** | | | | |
| NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon | | | | |
| 081-686 4355 | | | | |
| Security Fund | 380.1 | 381.1 | -1.8 | .. |
| British Fund | 358.9 | 379.8 | -2.3 | .. |
| International Fund | 349.0 | 369.4 | -4.0 | .. |
| Dollar Fund | 248.3 | 262.8 | -3.7 | .. |
| Capital Fund | 330.5 | 349.8 | -2.2 | .. |
| Income Fund | 471.0 | 498.5 | -2.9 | .. |
| Property Series 'A' | 392.0 | 414.9 | .. | .. |
| Property Units | 676.8 | 710.7 | .. | .. |
| Financial Fund | 333.2 | 352.6 | -1.0 | .. |
| Managed Series 'A' | 389.0 | 411.7 | -2.2 | .. |
| Do C | 348.6 | 369.0 | -1.6 | .. |
| Managed Units | 686.4 | 724.7 | -3.9 | .. |
| High Yield Fund | 445.8 | 471.8 | -0.2 | .. |
| Money Series 'A' | 218.4 | 231.2 | +0.6 | .. |
| Money Units | 384.1 | 391.1 | +0.6 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 435.4 | 460.8 | -3.1 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 232.4 | 246.0 | -0.9 | .. |
| Indexed Secs Fund | 132.5 | 140.3 | -1.8 | .. |
| European Fund | 564.6 | 597.8 | -0.8 | .. |
| *Natural Res Fund* | 216.2 | 228.8 | +1.2 | .. |
| Far East Fund | 445.8 | 471.8 | -3.3 | .. |
| Smaller Co's Fund | 354.4 | 375.1 | -0.2 | .. |
| Special Sits Fund | 358.2 | 377.0 | -1.6 | .. |
| Man Currency Fund | 207.0 | 219.1 | -0.7 | .. |
| Japanese Tech | 250.5 | 265.1 | -5.0 | .. |
| US Smaller Co's | 118.5 | 125.4 | -1.9 | .. |
| **IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| Longbow House, 20, Chiswell St, London EC1 4TY | | | | |
| 071-606 1131 | | | | |
| Global Managed 3 | 394.8 | 415.6 | -2.62 | .. |
| Global Property 3 | 241.9 | 254.6 | | .. |
| Global Fixed Int 3 | 327.9 | 345.2 | +0.2 | .. |
| Global Equity 3 | 453.5 | 477.4 | -4.0 | .. |
| Global Cash 3 | 163.9 | 172.5 | +0.3 | .. |
| **LAS GROUP** | | | | |
| 10, George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2YH | | | | |
| 031-225 8484 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 244.7 | 257.6 | -2.1 | .. |
| UK Equity | 400.4 | 421.4 | -2.5 | .. |
| Property | 283.7 | 298.7 | +0.7 | .. |
| Money Market | 194.2 | 204.5 | +0.3 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 227.5 | 239.5 | +1.0 | .. |
| Japan | 302.9 | 318.9 | -11.1 | .. |
| North America | 113.2 | 119.2 | -2.9 | .. |
| International | 189.2 | 199.4 | | .. |
| European | 193.8 | 210.2 | -0.8 | .. |
| Far East | 98.7 | 103.3 | -2.1 | .. |
| Special Sits | 97.6 | 102.8 | +0.5 | .. |
| **LAURENTIAN LIFE** | | | | |
| Barnwood Gloucester GL4 7RZ | | | | |
| 0452 371371 | | | | |
| Managed | 300.8 | 316.6 | -3.6 | .. |
| Gtd Mgd | 348.6 | 366.9 | +0.6 | .. |
| Property | 484.9 | 510.4 | +0.5 | .. |
| American | 290.5 | 305.8 | -8.3 | .. |
| UK Equity Fd | 314.9 | 331.5 | -3.4 | .. |
| Japan | 183.8 | 193.5 | -5.5 | .. |
| Index-Lkd | 138.0 | 145.3 | +0.2 | .. |
| High Yield | 604.3 | 636.1 | -6.8 | .. |
| Gilt Edged | 285.9 | 301.0 | +0.5 | .. |
| Money | 308.3 | 324.5 | +0.6 | .. |
| International | 305.6 | 321.7 | -5.6 | .. |
| Henderson Active | 170.5 | 179.5 | -0.8 | .. |
| *Perpetual Active* | 198.6 | 209.3 | -2.2 | .. |
| Growth Cap | 338.2 | 356.0 | | .. |
| Do Acc | 465.4 | 489.9 | -5.4 | .. |
| **LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| 2, Montefiore Rd, Hove, Sussex BN5 1SE | | | | |
| 0273 724586 | | | | |
| Bldg Soc Lnkd Int | 119.6 | 125.9 | +0.2 | .. |
| Do Accum | 142.9 | 150.5 | +0.3 | .. |
| Brit Opps Int | 106.7 | 112.4 | -0.5 | .. |
| Do Accum | 115.8 | 121.9 | -0.5 | .. |
| Cash Initial | 147.0 | 154.8 | +0.3 | .. |
| Do Accum | 217.3 | 228.8 | +0.3 | .. |
| Equity Initial | 494.9 | 521.0 | -3.8 | .. |
| Do Accum | 744.5 | 783.7 | -3.9 | .. |
| Fixed Initial | 250.7 | 263.9 | +4.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 377.1 | 397.0 | +1.4 | .. |
| Index-Linked Gilt | 109.0 | 114.8 | +0.3 | .. |
| Do Accum | 140.0 | 147.4 | -0.1 | .. |
| Intl Initial | 225.1 | 236.9 | -2.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 417.3 | 439.9 | -3.3 | .. |
| Managed Initial | 368.0 | 385.3 | -2.0 | .. |
| Do Accum | 550.6 | 579.6 | -2.7 | .. |
| Property Initial | 219.8 | 231.4 | -3.0 | .. |
| Do Accum | 330.8 | 348.1 | -4.5 | .. |
| **LEGAL & GENERAL PROPERTY** | | | | |
| 11 Queen Vic St London EC4N 4TP | | | | |
| 071-248 9678 | | | | |
| L & G (29) | 315.9 | 330.2 | .. | .. |
| **LONDON LIFE** | | | | |
| 100, Temple Street, Bristol, BS1 6EA | | | | |
| 0272 279179 | | | | |
| Equity | 647.5 | | -1.3 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 340.4 | | +2.2 | .. |
| Property | 373.5 | | +0.3 | .. |
| Deposit | 221.4 | | +0.5 | .. |
| Mixed | [illegible] | | -0.6 | .. |
| Indexed Stock | 150.0 | | -0.7 | .. |
| International | 203.2 | | -1.7 | .. |
| Equity A | 151.3 | | -0.3 | .. |
| Fixed Int A | 111.0 | | +0.1 | .. |
| Property A | 165.3 | | +0.1 | .. |
| Deposit A | 131.0 | | +0.3 | .. |
| Mixed A | 140.6 | | -0.3 | .. |
| Index Stock A | 118.8 | | -0.5 | .. |
| International A | 127.6 | | -1.1 | .. |
| Equity P | 502.8 | | -1.6 | .. |
| Fixed Int P | 307.9 | | +2.9 | .. |
| Property P | 268.9 | | +0.1 | .. |
| Deposit P | 239.3 | | +0.5 | .. |
| Mixed P | 367.9 | | -1.1 | .. |
| Index Stock P | 185.7 | | -0.7 | .. |
| International P | 226.2 | | -2.3 | .. |
| **LON & MANCHESTER GROUP** | | | | |
| Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS | | | | |
| 0392 52155 | | | | |
| Inv Trust Cap | 479.5 | | -3.0 | .. |
| Do Accum | 660.8 | | -3.6 | .. |
| Property Cap | 189.8 | | | .. |
| Do Accum | 265.7 | | +0.1 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Cap | 155.1 | | +0.2 | .. |
| Do Accum | 207.7 | | +0.4 | .. |
| Equity Cap | 258.0 | | -2.8 | .. |
| Do Accum | 348.7 | | -3.4 | .. |
| International Cap | 206.0 | | -2.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 275.2 | | -2.7 | .. |
| Gtd Deposit Cap | 159.2 | | +0.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 212.4 | | +0.3 | .. |
| Flexible Cap | 294.9 | | -2.4 | .. |
| Do Accum | 398.0 | | -3.0 | .. |
| Moneymaker Fund | 322.7 | | -2.4 | .. |
| Capital Growth Fund | £10.856 | | -0.010 | .. |
| **M & G** | | | | |
| Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ | | | | |
| 071-626 4588 | | | | |
| Amer Bond Acc | 274.0 | 287.8 | -8.8 | .. |
| Amer Rec Bond | 289.9 | 304.5 | -7.4 | .. |
| Amer Smlr Co Bond | 127.3 | 133.7 | -4.1 | .. |
| Australasia Bond | 131.9 | 138.6 | +3.4 | .. |
| Commodity Bond | 206.6 | 217.0 | +1.4 | .. |
| Deposit Bond Acc | 277.7 | 291.7 | +0.5 | .. |
| Equity Bond Accum | 958.0 | 1006.0 | -11.8 | .. |
| European Bond Acc | 276.1 | 290.0 | +1.0 | .. |
| Extra Yld Bd Accum | 503.9 | 529.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| Far East Bd Accum | 193.4 | 203.2 | -1.6 | .. |
| Gilt Bond Accum | 277.2 | 291.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| Gold Bond Accum | 88.1 | 92.6 | +0.2 | .. |
| High Yield Bond | 301.1 | 316.3 | +0.1 | 6.86 |
| Index-Linked Gt Bd | 151.7 | 159.4 | -0.7 | .. |
| International Bond | 525.8 | 551.9 | -5.2 | .. |
| Japan Bond Acc | 247.7 | 260.2 | -7.0 | .. |
| Japan Smlr Co Acc | 235.9 | 247.8 | -5.3 | .. |
| Managed Bonds | 530.5 | 620.2 | -4.4 | .. |
| Prop Bond Accum | 369.1 | 387.6 | +0.3 | .. |
| Rec Bond Accum | 618.4 | 641.3 | -3.2 | .. |
| **MGM ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| MGM Hse Heene Rd, Worthing BN11 2DY | | | | |
| 0903 204631 | | | | |
| UK Equity Fund | 199.8 | 210.4 | -1.5 | .. |
| Do Accum | 244.8 | 257.7 | -1.8 | .. |
| Special Sits Fund | 145.3 | 153.0 | -1.9 | .. |
| Do Accum | 178.2 | 187.6 | -2.3 | .. |
| North American Fd | 147.2 | 155.0 | -4.2 | .. |
| Do Accum | 180.4 | 189.9 | -5.2 | .. |
| Pacific Basin Fund | 308.2 | 322.4 | -3.4 | .. |
| Do Accum | 375.3 | 335.1 | -4.0 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 211.0 | 222.2 | +0.7 | .. |
| Do Accum | 258.9 | 272.6 | +0.9 | .. |
| Property Fund | 183.6 | 193.3 | | .. |
| Do Accum | 223.5 | 237.2 | +0.2 | .. |
| Deposit Fund | 127.5 | 134.3 | +0.3 | .. |
| Do Accum | 156.9 | 165.2 | +0.3 | .. |
| Managed Fund | 211.2 | 222.4 | -1.6 | .. |
| Do Accum | 260.8 | 283.6 | -2.0 | .. |
| **MANUFACTURERS LIFE** | | | | |
| St Georges Way, Stevenage | | | | |
| 0438 356101 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 528.2 | 556.0 | .. | .. |
| Property Fund | 514.2 | 541.3 | .. | .. |
| Equity Fund | 646.0 | 680.0 | .. | .. |
| Gilt Edged Fund | 387.5 | 407.9 | .. | .. |
| Deposit Fund | 252.3 | 265.6 | .. | .. |
| Investment Fund | 274.7 | 288.5 | .. | .. |
| International Fund | 433.2 | 456.0 | .. | .. |
| **MERCHANT INVESTORS** | | | | |
| Leon House, 233 High St Croydon | | | | |
| 081-686 9171 | | | | |
| Property | 328.0 | | +0.4 | .. |
| Equity Bond | 227.8 | | -2.7 | .. |
| Money Market Bond | 358.7 | | +5.9 | .. |
| Deposit Fund | 287.6 | | +0.5 | .. |
| Managed Fund | 355.1 | | -1.2 | .. |
| Intl Equity | 393.6 | | -0.9 | .. |
| Intl Managed | 379.1 | | -1.8 | .. |
| North American | 142.8 | | -1.6 | .. |
| Far East | 318.8 | | -0.4 | .. |
| Intl Currency | 204.1 | | +0.6 | .. |
| **MIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| *Enterprise Hse, Portsmouth* | | | | |
| 0705 827733 | | | | |
| Equity | 102.7 | 108.1 | -1.0 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 346.5 | 365.0 | -2.6 | .. |
| Managed | 508.0 | 534.7 | -3.5 | .. |
| Deposit | 260.6 | 274.3 | +0.5 | .. |
| Overseas | 278.3 | 293.7 | -1.5 | .. |
| Property | 412.9 | 434.6 | -0.3 | .. |
| American | 282.1 | 296.9 | -5.3 | .. |
| Australian | 292.5 | 307.8 | +0.8 | .. |
| European | 421.0 | 443.1 | +1.1 | .. |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 182.0 | 191.5 | -0.8 | .. |
| Global Managed | 109.7 | 115.4 | -0.8 | .. |
| Income Accum | 387.5 | 407.9 | +4.1 | .. |
| Do Dist | 407.2 | 428.6 | +2.4 | .. |
| International | 283.2 | 298.1 | -2.8 | .. |
| Japan Smaller | 571.7 | 601.7 | +0.2 | .. |
| Singapore & Mal | 331.6 | 349.0 | -1.6 | .. |
| Smaller Companies | 387.6 | 408.0 | +0.2 | .. |
| Tokyo Fund | 522.8 | 550.3 | -8.1 | .. |
| UK Equity | 435.9 | 458.8 | -10.0 | .. |
| CCM Vang'd Mgd | 495.4 | 521.4 | -4.7 | .. |
| Equity Pension Cap | 750.7 | 790.2 | -8.5 | .. |
| Overseas Pension | 322.5 | 339.4 | -1.6 | .. |
| **NATIONAL PROVIDENT** | | | | |
| 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH | | | | |
| 071-623 4200 | | | | |
| Managed | 347.0 | 365.3 | -3.0 | .. |
| UK Equity | 445.5 | 469.0 | -2.7 | .. |
| Overseas Equity | 357.6 | 376.5 | -2.3 | .. |
| Americas | 270.5 | 284.8 | -5.7 | .. |
| Far East | 375.7 | 395.5 | -5.4 | .. |
| Property | 212.8 | 224.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 222.3 | 234.1 | +0.4 | .. |
| Indexed Gilt | 141.9 | 149.4 | -0.1 | .. |
| Deposit | 165.3 | 174.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| **NORWICH UNION** | | | | |
| PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG | | | | |
| 0603 622200 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 946.5 | 996.5 | -6.2 | .. |
| Equity Fund | £19.56 | 20.59 | -0.16 | .. |
| Property Fund (3) | 542.8 | 571.4 | -1.1 | .. |
| Fixed Int Fund (3) | 384.7 | 405.0 | +2.1 | .. |
| Deposit Fund (3) | 260.4 | 274.2 | +0.5 | .. |
| Unit Fund (3) | 163.9 | 172.6 | -1.3 | .. |
| Unit-Linked Plus | 938.37 | | | |
| **PEARL ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| *252 High Holborn, WC1V 7EB* | | | | |
| 071-831 1867 | | | | |
| Inv Prop Dist | 170.6 | 179.6 | +0.1 | .. |
| Do Accum | 291.7 | 307.1 | +0.2 | .. |
| Inv Equity | 818.9 | 862.0 | -10.8 | .. |
| Inv Managed | 572.0 | 602.2 | -5.1 | .. |
| Ret Managed | 576.8 | 607.2 | -4.9 | .. |
| **PHOENIX ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| 4-5 King William St, EC4N 7HR | | | | |
| 071-626 9876 | | | | |
| Wealth Assured | 444.3 | 467.6 | -3.7 | .. |
| Ebor Phoenix Equity | 396.8 | 422.8 | +23.6 | .. |
| **PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD** | | | | |
| Bridge Mills Stramongate Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB | | | | |
| 0539 733733 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 612.0 | 640.5 | -5.0 | .. |
| Cash Fund | 256.7 | 270.5 | | .. |
| Property Fund | 270.7 | 285.0 | -12.2 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 701.9 | 746.8 | -4.9 | .. |
| Fxd Interest Fund | 279.1 | 294.2 | +0.1 | .. |
| International | 334.2 | 356.8 | -9.7 | .. |
| High Income | 480.6 | 490.1 | -0.8 | .. |
| Far East | 442.2 | 470.5 | +8.5 | .. |
| North American | 284.5 | 299.8 | -5.5 | .. |
| Special Sits | 632.9 | 662.7 | -1.5 | .. |
| Technology | 285.3 | 301.7 | -4.4 | .. |
| Extra Income Fund | 280.1 | 298.0 | -0.1 | .. |
| Gilt Fund 20 | 301.2 | 320.5 | +0.1 | .. |
| European | 124.7 | 131.5 | +0.8 | .. |
| Adventurous Mgd | 135.4 | 144.1 | -2.6 | .. |
| Secure Mgd | 104.2 | 109.9 | -3.1 | .. |
| Equity Inc Dist | 99.6 | 105.0 | -0.6 | .. |
| Managed Dist | 94.8 | 99.9 | -1.3 | .. |
| **PROPERTY GROWTH** | | | | |
| Leon House, Croydon CR9 1LU | | | | |
| 081-680 0606 | | | | |
| Property Fund | 477.6 | | | .. |
| Property Fund (A) | 463.2 | | | .. |
| Agricultural Fund | 601.4 | | -0.6 | .. |
| Agric Fund (A) | 577.8 | | -0.6 | .. |
| Abbey Nat Fund | 347.9 | | +0.2 | .. |
| Abbey Nat Fund (A) | 374.4 | | +0.2 | .. |
| Investment Fund | 239.3 | | -2.1 | .. |
| Investment Fund (A) | 231.2 | | -2.0 | .. |
| Equity Fund | [illegible] | | -5.7 | .. |
| Equity (A) | 863.4 | | -5.5 | .. |
| Money Fund | 352.6 | | +0.4 | .. |
| Money Fund (A) | 340.0 | | +0.3 | .. |
| Actuarial Fund | 407.0 | | -3.2 | .. |
| Gilt-Edged Fund | 250.8 | | +0.7 | .. |
| Gilt-Edged Fund (A) | 250.9 | | +0.7 | .. |
| Retire Annuity | [illegible] | | | .. |
| Immed Annuity | 310.5 | | | .. |
| International Fund | 462.8 | | -9.8 | .. |
| Bldg Soc Life Fund | 173.6 | | +0.2 | .. |
| **PROVIDENCE CAPITAL** | | | | |
| 30, Uxbridge Rd, W12 8PG | | | | |
| 081-749 9111 | | | | |
| Equity Fund Accum | 209.6 | 221.4 | -2.1 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Acc | 150.9 | 159.2 | +0.5 | .. |
| International Accum | 188.2 | 198.6 | -1.8 | .. |
| Managed Accum | 169.9 | 179.2 | -0.6 | .. |
| Property Accum | 240.6 | 253.8 | +0.2 | .. |
| Money Accum | 117.4 | 123.9 | +0.3 | .. |
| Special Mkt Accum | 168.2 | 177.5 | -0.3 | .. |
| Japan Equity Acc | 123.2 | 130.0 | -2.3 | .. |
| N Amer Accum | 106.2 | 112.1 | -1.6 | .. |
| Pacific Accum | 102.0 | 107.6 | -0.7 | .. |
| Technology Accum | 125.0 | 131.9 | -1.0 | .. |
| Natural Res Accum | 68.5 | 72.3 | -0.7 | .. |
| European Accum | 120.0 | 126.6 | +0.2 | .. |
| **PROVIDENT MUTUAL** | | | | |
| 25/31 Moorgate London EC2R 6BA | | | | |
| 071-628 3232 | | | | |
| Managed Ord | 336.4 | 354.1 | -2.9 | .. |
| Managed Initial | 262.0 | 275.8 | -2.4 | .. |
| Equity Ord | 484.1 | 509.6 | -8.2 | .. |
| Equity Intl | 376.9 | 396.7 | -5.1 | .. |
| Index-Linked Gilt Ord | 145.4 | 153.1 | -0.2 | .. |
| Index Linked Gilt Inl | 118.2 | 124.4 | -0.3 | .. |
| Oseas Equity Ord | 292.9 | 308.3 | -4.2 | .. |
| Oseas Equity Initial | 228.0 | 240.0 | -3.5 | .. |
| Property Ord | 221.2 | 232.8 | +0.1 | .. |
| Property Initial | 172.3 | 181.4 | +0.1 | .. |
| Fixed Int Ord | 177.4 | 186.7 | +0.6 | .. |
| Fixed Int Initial | 138.1 | 145.4 | +0.5 | .. |
| Deposit Ord | 158.0 | 166.3 | +0.3 | .. |
| Deposit Initial | 123.0 | 129.5 | +0.1 | .. |
| **PRUDENTIAL** | | | | |
| Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH | | | | |
| 071-405 9222 | | | | |
| Managed | 249.6 | 260.0 | -0.2 | .. |
| **PRUDENTIAL HOLBORN LIFE LTD** | | | | |
| 30 Old Burlington Street London W1X 1LB | | | | |
| 071-439 3134 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 545.3 | 574.1 | -8.8 | .. |
| Equity Fund | £11.12 | 11.71 | -0.15 | .. |
| Intl Fund | 383.1 | 403.3 | -6.3 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 369.6 | 389.1 | +1.1 | .. |
| Property Fund | 420.9 | 443.1 | -2.3 | .. |
| Cash Fund | 279.5 | 294.3 | +0.8 | .. |
| Pacific Basin Fd | 201.7 | 212.4 | -4.4 | .. |
| N American Fd | 151.6 | 159.6 | -7.3 | .. |
| Euro Fund | 190.0 | 200.1 | +2.1 | .. |
| Balanced Fund | 115.0 | 121.1 | -0.5 | .. |
| Strategic Fund | 115.1 | 121.2 | -0.5 | .. |
| **[illegible] LIFE ASS CO** | | | | |
| 55-57 High Holborn London WC1V 6DU | | | | |
| 071-831 7481 | | | | |
| Series 2 Man Fund | 315.6 | 332.2 | -2.5 | .. |
| Series 2 Equity Fund | 384.6 | 404.8 | -6.7 | .. |
| Series 2 Prop Fund | 385.2 | 405.4 | +4.1 | .. |
| Series 2 Fix Int Fund | 231.3 | 243.4 | +0.4 | .. |
| Series 2 Money Fd | 192.0 | 202.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Series 2 O'seas Fd | 260.2 | 273.8 | -2.8 | .. |
| Tulip Invest Fund | 336.3 | 354.0 | -8.4 | .. |
| Tulip Mangd Fund | 396.4 | 417.2 | -3.1 | .. |
| Mngd Inv Fd Int | 269.7 | 283.8 | -2.2 | .. |
| Do Accum | 323.8 | 340.8 | -2.6 | .. |
| **ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE LTD** | | | | |
| 20, Clifton Street, London EC2A 4HX | | | | |
| 071-620 0200 0733 [illegible] | | | | |
| Multi Growth (45) | 502.79 | | +14.07 | .. |
| Multi Growth 'A (45) | 363.9 | 383.1 | -110.4 | .. |
| Op 8 Prop | 392.2 | 412.9 | -0.4 | .. |
| Op 8 Equity | 701.7 | 738.7 | -3.0 | .. |
| Op 8 High Yield | 355.0 | 373.7 | +0.7 | .. |
| Op 8 Managed | 559.2 | 588.7 | -2.9 | .. |
| Op 8 Deposit | 301.2 | 317.1 | +0.7 | 14.00 |
| Amer Smaller | 124.6 | 131.2 | -2.6 | .. |
| Equity Inc | 150.5 | 158.5 | +0.1 | .. |
| Far East | 190.0 | 200.1 | -2.7 | .. |
| Gold Gen | 33.7 | 35.5 | +0.3 | .. |
| Inc Gth | 259.3 | 273.0 | +10.2 | .. |
| *Japan Perf* | 265.6 | 279.6 | -1.9 | .. |
| Japan Smlr | 242.9 | 255.7 | -1.2 | .. |
| Mgd High | 230.6 | 242.8 | -0.4 | .. |
| Prop Shs | 151.9 | 159.9 | +0.6 | .. |
| Smaller Cos | 200.8 | 211.4 | +2.1 | .. |
| Managed Gth | 201.4 | 212.0 | -0.9 | .. |
| Gilt | 67.3 | 70.9 | -1.7 | .. |
| Amp (32,34) | 180.4 | 189.9 | -3.1 | .. |
| British | 232.0 | 244.3 | -1.3 | .. |
| Extra Inc | 195.4 | 205.7 | -0.1 | .. |
| Intl Fixed Int | 84.2 | 88.7 | -1.0 | .. |
| Global (35,34) | 285.9 | 301.0 | -2.5 | .. |
| Gold Share | 53.7 | 56.6 | +0.5 | .. |
| High Income | 255.5 | 269.0 | -0.6 | .. |
| Income | 336.7 | 356.5 | -2.0 | .. |
| Japan | 315.9 | 331.7 | -5.8 | .. |
| UK Sel Opps | 320.6 | 338.8 | +3.0 | .. |
| UK Smlr Co's | 265.9 | 279.9 | +1.0 | .. |
| Man Growth | 346.6 | 364.8 | -2.1 | .. |
| **ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE** | | | | |
| New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS | | | | |
| 051-227 4422 | | | | |
| Royal Shield Fund | 670.0 | 708.9 | -7.2 | .. |
| Royal Life Unit Linked | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 375.1 | 395.5 | -2.9 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 361.2 | 380.2 | -4.7 | .. |
| Property Fund | 210.4 | 220.6 | -0.1 | .. |
| International Fund | 334.6 | 352.2 | -3.1 | .. |
| Pacific Basin Fund | 216.4 | 226.7 | -2.9 | .. |
| United States Fund | 149.7 | 157.5 | -6.0 | .. |
| Gilt Fund | 218.5 | 230.0 | -0.8 | .. |
| **SAVE & PROSPER** | | | | |
| 1, Finsbury Ave London EC2M 2QY | | | | |
| 0708 766966 | | | | |
| Bal Inv Fund | 570.4 | 603.8 | +3.0 | .. |
| Deposit Fund (2) | 283.7 | 303.3 | +0.5 | .. |
| Gilt Fund | 321.7 | 340.6 | +0.6 | .. |
| Global Equity Fund | 171.9 | 182.0 | -0.7 | .. |
| Property Fund (48) | 91.0 | 96.3a | | .. |
| AG Bond Fund | 114.4 | 121.1 | -0.2 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH AMICABLE** | | | | |
| 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow | | | | |
| 041-248 2323 | | | | |
| Equity | 434.9 | 457.8 | -2.3 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 222.6 | 234.6 | +0.3 | .. |
| International | 307.5 | 323.7 | -2.2 | .. |
| Property | 246.2 | 259.2 | | .. |
| Cash | 178.7 | 188.0 | +0.4 | .. |
| Managed | 305.7 | 304.6 | -1.6 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH EQUITABLE** | | | | |
| 28, St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 1YF | | | | |
| 031 556 9101 | | | | |
| Cash | 204.2 | 215.0 | +0.47 | .. |
| Index-Linked | 114.7 | 120.7 | -0.1 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 111.3 | 117.2 | +1.0 | .. |
| Mixed | 179.9 | 189.4 | -0.9 | .. |
| UK Equity | 165.1 | 173.7 | -0.3 | .. |
| International | 197.2 | 207.7 | -1.4 | .. |
| American | 145.7 | 153.3 | -1.7 | .. |
| Japan | 201.5 | 212.2 | -3.6 | .. |
| European | 222.4 | 234.1 | -0.3 | .. |
| Pacific | 221.2 | 232.8 | -2.7 | .. |
| Technology | 200.0 | 210.5 | -2.8 | .. |
| Foreign Bd/Currency | 144.2 | 151.9 | -0.6 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS** | | | | |
| 19 St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh EH2 1YE | | | | |
| 031-225 2211 | | | | |
| Property | 184.0 | 193.8 | +0.1 | .. |
| UK Equity | 249.2 | 261.3e | -2.6 | .. |
| American | 169.1 | 178.1e | -5.5 | .. |
| Pacific | 255.1 | 268.5e | -3.7 | .. |
| European | 330.6 | 348.1 | +1.4 | .. |
| International | 212.4 | 223.7 | -2.7 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 141.7 | 149.3 | +0.6 | .. |
| Index Linked | 145.9 | 153.7 | -0.3 | .. |
| Deposit | 146.2 | 154.0 | +0.3 | .. |
| Managed | 200.8 | 211.4 | -1.9 | .. |
| Worldwide | 106.1 | 111.8 | -1.7 | .. |
| Pen Worldwide | 106.9 | 112.6 | -1.7 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE** | | | | |
| 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN | | | | |
| 041-248 6321 | | | | |
| Flex Fund (35) | £11.88 | 12.25 | +0.38 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENTS** | | | | |
| 109, St Vincent St, Glasgow | | | | |
| 041-248 6321 | | | | |
| Safety Fund | 155.8 | 164.1 | -0.2 | .. |
| Growth Fund | 167.1 | 175.9 | -0.7 | .. |
| *Opportunity Fund* | 169.5 | 178.5 | -1.2 | .. |
| Cash Fund | 133.5 | 140.6 | +0.3 | .. |
| European Fund | 269.4 | 283.6 | +1.7 | .. |
| Gilts & Fxd Int Fund | 125.0 | 131.6 | +0.4 | .. |
| Index-Linked Fund | 127.7 | 134.5 | -0.5 | .. |
| International Fund | 205.7 | 216.6 | -2.4 | .. |
| North American Fd | 156.1 | 164.4 | -3.7 | .. |
| Property Fund | 135.8 | 143.0 | +0.1 | .. |
| UK Equity | 180.5 | 190.1 | -0.8 | .. |
| UK Smaller | 191.5 | 201.6 | -0.1 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH PROVIDENT** | | | | |
| 6 St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA | | | | |
| 031-556 9181 | | | | |
| Mixed | 192.4 | 202.6 | -2.3 | .. |
| Equity | 195.0 | 205.4 | -3.2 | .. |
| International | 216.3 | 227.7 | -2.4 | .. |
| Property | 219.9 | 231.6 | | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 141.4 | 149.0 | -0.2 | .. |
| Index Linked | 127.9 | 134.7 | -0.3 | .. |
| Cash | 145.6 | 153.3 | +0.2 | .. |
| **SCOTTISH WIDOWS** | | | | |
| PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU | | | | |
| 031-655 6000 | | | | |
| Inv Pol 1 | 708.8 | | | .. |
| Inv Pol 2 | 650.0 | 684.3 | | .. |
| Inv Pol 3 | 626.3 | 659.4 | | .. |
| Inv Cash | 232.4 | 244.6 | | .. |
| Mixed Fund | 347.9 | 366.3 | -2.6 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 411.2 | 432.9 | -4.4 | .. |
| Property Fund | 236.9 | 249.4 | +0.1 | .. |
| International Fund | 362.0 | 382.2 | -1.5 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 217.5 | 229.0 | +1.4 | .. |
| Index-Linked Stock Fund | 143.0 | 150.7 | -0.3 | .. |
| Cash Fund | 171.0 | 180.1 | +0.7 | .. |
| **SKANDIA LIFE** | | | | |
| Frobisher Hse, Nelsons Gate, Southampton SO9 7BX | | | | |
| 0703 334411 | | | | |
| Managed Accum | 278.0 | 292.6 | -1.5 | .. |
| Equity Accum | 328.6 | 345.9 | -2.2 | .. |
| International Accum | 266.5 | 280.5 | -1.9 | .. |
| Property | 222.1 | 233.7 | +0.5 | .. |
| Royal Trust Mngd | 181.7 | 191.2 | -1.4 | .. |
| Britannia Mngd | 149.0 | 156.8 | -0.7 | .. |
| Framlington Mngd | 176.2 | 185.4 | -0.7 | .. |
| Gartmore Mngd | 194.3 | 204.5 | -0.9 | .. |
| Henderson Mngd | 190.0 | 200.0 | -0.7 | .. |
| TSB Managed | 181.1 | 188.5 | -1.5 | .. |
| North European | 278.1 | 292.7 | +1.5 | .. |
| Pacific | 200.5 | 211.0 | -0.8 | .. |
| Intl Recovery | 187.1 | 196.9 | -2.6 | .. |
| Gilt Plus Accum | 205.7 | 216.5 | -0.8 | .. |
| North American | 139.6 | 146.1 | -2.2 | .. |
| Deposit | 204.0 | 214.7 | +0.3 | .. |
| **STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO** | | | | |
| 3, George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ | | | | |
| 031-225-2552 | | | | |
| Cash | 206.5 | 217.4 | +0.4 | .. |
| Equity | 675.0 | 711.2 | -4.7 | .. |
| European | 131.7 | 138.7 | +0.8 | .. |
| Far East | 121.6 | 128.1 | -2.4 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 242.2 | 255.0 | +0.4 | .. |
| Index Linked | 148.2 | 156.1 | -0.3 | .. |
| International | 444.3 | 467.8 | -3.0 | .. |
| Managed | 481.5 | 507.0 | -3.3 | .. |
| Nth American | 104.4 | 109.9 | -2.1 | .. |
| Property | 319.0 | 336.2 | -0.7 | .. |
| Pension Funds | | | | |
| Cash | 296.2 | 311.8 | +0.7 | .. |
| Equity | 927.9 | 976.8 | -7.8 | .. |
| European | 131.7 | 138.7 | +0.9 | .. |
| Far East | 121.6 | 128.1 | -2.4 | .. |
| Fixed Interest | 305.8 | 321.7 | +0.7 | .. |
| Index Linked | 197.8 | 208.3 | -0.4 | .. |
| International | 599.2 | 630.8 | -8.4 | .. |
| Managed | 641.4 | 675.2 | -4.6 | .. |
| Nth American | 104.4 | 109.9 | -2.1 | .. |
| Property | 387.8 | 408.3 | -0.2 | .. |
| Stock Exchange | 142.8 | 150.4 | -1.2 | .. |
| **SUN ALLIANCE** | | | | |
| Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex | | | | |
| 0403 64141 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 455.0 | 479.0 | -4.0 | .. |
| Equity Fund | 822.0 | 854.8 | -4.0 | .. |
| Fixed Interest Fund | 268.8 | 283.1 | +0.6 | .. |
| Index Linked Fund | 219.9 | 231.5 | -0.4 | .. |
| Property Fund | 426.2 | 448.7 | | .. |
| International Fund | 424.1 | 446.5 | -9.1 | .. |
| N American Fund | 139.0 | 146.4 | -3.1 | .. |
| Far East Fund | 171.3 | 180.4 | -2.9 | .. |
| Deposit Fund | 225.5 | 237.5 | +0.2 | .. |
| International Bond | 156.3 | | -0.4 | .. |
| Worldwide Bond | | | | |
| Worldwide Fincl | 79.6 | 84.0 | -0.8 | .. |
| Worldwide Tech | 93.4 | 98.4 | -1.0 | .. |
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| Tulip Series 1 | 618.2 | 650.8 | -4.8 | .. |
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| Pens Fixed Int | 159.4 | 167.8 | +1.1 | .. |
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| Index-Linked Accum | 139.4 | 146.8 | +0.6 | .. |
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| US Bonds Accum | 130.8 | 137.7 | -3.1 | .. |
| Japan Accum | 280.2 | 285.0 | -3.8 | .. |
| Pacific Accum | 178.8 | 188.3 | | .. |
| Far Eastern Accum | 488.1 | 513.8 | -0.5 | .. |
| International Accum | 373.0 | 392.7 | -3.3 | .. |
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| Yen Accum | 113.9 | 119.9 | -0.7 | .. |
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| Income | 261.0 | 274.8 | -2.2 | .. |
| International Equity | 301.7 | 317.6 | -5.0 | .. |
| Japan | 354.8 | 373.5 | -11.5 | .. |
| Managed | 459.3 | 483.5 | -3.5 | .. |
| International Bond | 86.9 | 91.5e | -0.1 | .. |
| Managed Prop | 142.0 | 149.5 | | .. |
| Pacific | 209.0 | 220.0 | | .. |
| Preference | 172.1 | 181.2 | +1.6 | .. |
| Property | 324.9 | 342.0 | | .. |
| Sterling | 10.8 | | | .. |
| UK Cap | 177.9 | 187.3 | -0.1 | .. |
| UK Cap Pen | | | | .. |
| World Income | 196.6 | 207.0 | -1.6 | .. |
| Euro Situations | 212.0 | 223.2 | +1.2 | .. |
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| 3-Way Fund | 424.8 | 424.8 | -0.60 | |
| UK Equity | 263.6 | 277.5 | +0.65 | |
| N American Equity | 201.1 | 211.7 | -2.18 | |
| Far East Equity | 333.6 | 351.1 | -2.88 | |
| Fixed | 180.0 | 187.9 | +0.51 | |
| Cash Deposit | 157.1 | 165.4 | +0.30 | |
| Property | 107.2 | 112.9 | -1.79 | |
| Special Opp | 261.1 | 274.9 | -1.33 | |
| Managed | 230.7 | 242.9 | -0.70 | |
| Index-Linked Fd | 144.5 | 152.1 | -0.28 | |
| Star Mngd 2 | 290.9 | 306.2 | | |
| Star Mngd 3 | 266.5 | 280.5 | | |
| Star Mngd 4 | 238.9 | 251.4 | | |
| Star Mngd 5 | 269.3 | 283.5 | | |

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WEEKEND MONEY

# Privatisation 'failed to create share owners democracy'

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

THE number of people holding shares dramatically increased as a result of privatisation and much-publicised flotations such as TSB and Abbey National, but they failed to create a share-owning democracy, according to a report published yesterday.

The study by the Association of Investment Trust Companies and the International Stock Exchange reveals that the privatisations are viewed by investors as different to buying and selling shares in other companies.

"The privatisations are now recognised as an opportunity to make a quick profit with very little risk, but are viewed as totally anomalous. They are thought to bear no relationship to the stockmarket and its workings," says the report.

One participant sums the feeling up: "With privatisation shares the government undervalued the stock so it's a guaranteed earner. People got the idea that you could put all your money into British Telecom and you'd make a killing. It's not living in the real world."

The 1987 crash was perceived by some in a moralistic light as a way of punishing those who had been over-ambitious in the stockmarket. It was also seen as a warning not to dabble in new areas without having the background knowledge and expertise.

The report also reveals there is little awareness of or confidence in the power or effectiveness of the regulatory authorities. Nor are investors sure about stockbrokers and other investment salesmen. Most non-shareholders would approach their bank manager if they had money to invest.

They feel the onus will be on them to make the decisions and few accept that a stockbroker could do this for them. Also, they are not seen to be geared to the small private client who does not have a lot of money to invest. Others fear the commission charged would cancel out any profits.

Adding to the current gloom was the collapse of Barlow Clowes, taking with it £150 million of investors' money. All of which was eventually restored by the government.

"Many can envisage themselves as victims of a situation of this kind," says the report.

Shares are regarded as high risk with people regarding the best known names as the safest such as Sock Shop and Coloroll, both of which have recently proved disastrous investments.

There is not much comfort for the investment trust industry in the report it initiated. Most of the participants had not heard of them. Many of those who had were negative: "I get the impression that it's like one of those companies that went bust in Gibraltar," said one.

Non-shareholders and shareholders are categorised by the report. Those without shares are divided into moralists, who are aggressive and very disapproving; safety seekers who are cautious, passive and unadventurous; the curious, who might in different circumstances become shareholders; and the uncertain, who are interested but beset by doubts.

Shareholders are divided intogamblers who are motivated by the idea of "making a killing", those who have inherited shares or retained privatisation issues, and investors who spend a great deal of time thinking about their financial affairs.

# Trusts resist moves to clarify names

By MARGARET DIBBEN

WHILE the investment trust industry is trying to attract small investors away from unit trusts and building societies, there is a strong resistance among the companies to adopt up-to-date marketing techniques.

At a very basic level, the names of investment trust companies are largely unhelpful, if not misleading.

The subject was raised at the most recent member's meeting of the Association of Investment Trust Companies (AITC). Lesley Renvoize, the AITC's head of publicity said: "I can understand that investors might feel misled by some of the names."

Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust, for example, has nothing to do with Scotland or with mortgages.

Miss Renvoize added: "Updating the name is an example of something which doesn't cost any money but helps to make investment trusts more accessible. If you have a complicated name, people think it's a complicated product."

Fleming Universal is a general trust which, at the moment, specialises in Europe. The board has decided against changing the name to reflect this new strategy.

Adam Fleming, a director of Fleming Investment Trust Management, said: "As it was set up, Fleming Universal could invest anywhere at any time at the discretion of the managers. Towards the end of 1988 the board decided against changing the name.

"We didn't want in two years' time to find that Europe was fully valued and that Mexico or Chile now has the attractions."

But a trust with one of the more unhelpful names, the British Kidney Patient Association Investment Trust, has changed its title to Hotspur.

And possibly the most accurately named investment trust is Updown Investment Co, after the house belonging to its chairman.

PETER KEMP

All change: Canadian Julie Mudde and daughter Kelly exchanging dollars at Bank of Scotland's new dispenser

# Foreign touch at teller machines

By OUR MONEY EDITOR

MACHINES that change currency from 11 European countries plus Australian, American and Canadian dollars are being introduced to the high street by the Royal Bank of Scotland.

The touch-screen machines can recognise 34 different bank notes and change them into sterling.

The first one came into service at the bank's head office in Edinburgh at the beginning of the month and in July the next will come on line in Knightsbridge, London. Others will go on trial over the next 12 months.

The automatic currency exchange machines are intended for people returning from holiday, foreign tourists and businessmen.

The machines give instructions in English, German, French or Spanish. They are the first in Britain to use touch-screen options, although they are widely used on the Continent.

Customers are guided by instructions on the screen. The foreign currency is fed into one slot and the sterling is dispatched through another. A printed ticket acts as the customer's receipt and states the exchange rate used.

Foreign currency worth up to £100 can be exchanged through the machines during banking hours. The European currencies accepted are the Belgian franc, Danish kroner, Dutch guilder, French franc, German mark, Italian lira, Norwegian kroner, Portuguese escudo, Spanish peseta, Swedish kroner and Swiss franc.

David Robinson, executive director of the Royal Bank of Scotland said: "Over the next 12 months we will learn a lot about users' requirements and modify the facility accordingly. By the standards of only a couple of years ago it is staggering to realise that one of our customers who takes out his holiday money in Spain using cashline can change back any spare banknotes using this new machine."

# Young customers look for best rates

By JON ASHWORTH

YOUNG bank and building society customers are more interested in charges and interest than free gifts, according to a survey by Abbey National.

Asked what they valued most in a new current account, most of the 150 respondents opted for a good rate of interest. Free-banking was the second most important factor, followed by the "total package" offered.

Many banks and building societies throw in record vouchers, stationery kits and other free gifts to encourage school leavers to open an account. But the survey found that only 2 per cent of applicants thought these were the most important consideration.

Abbey National throws in an electronic personal organiser for young account openers. Lesley Hine, senior product manager for the bank's current account, said such incentives were still regarded as important, but took second place to features such as interest on credit balances, a cashpoint card and an absence of transaction charges.

The account has a choice of £50 or £100 cheque guarantee cards, pays interest of 6.25 per cent after tax, and has an overdraft facility. It is open to customers aged between 16 and 24, who have their salary, grant or allowance paid in and make a £40 deposit.

## BRIEFINGS

■ Chase Manhattan has increased the range of benefits open to its visa cardholders by teaming up with Findlaters, the wine merchants. Special offers and wine tasting cases are part of the deal which is available free to cardholders. The wine club has a 10 per cent discount on orders of £70 or more made before the end of August.

■ Shaw & Co, the City stockbroker, has launched a personal equity plan (Pep) which allows investors to switch out of shares into cash or less risky investments during times of stockmarket uncertainty. Up to 50 per cent of the Shaw managed portfolio may be invested in cash or low-risk preference shares, while 30 per cent may be invested in smaller companies. The minimum investment is £3,000.

■ Investors puzzled by the number of personal equity plans available may consider a new guide from Berry Asset Management. The free guide gives an introduction to Peps and considers the new rules and investment limits. It also lists typical dealing and management charges. Tel: 071-376 3476.

■ MIM Britannia has added a Pep with an international flavour to its range. Up to 50 per cent of TaxHaven International will invest in British companies with substantial overseas earnings. The remainder will be invested in English and International Trust, an investment trust with holdings abroad. The minimum investment is £2,000, the initial charge is 5 per cent and the annual charge is 1.25 per cent.

■ An investment account paying 11.5 per cent interest on £10,000 or more and with a monthly income facility has been launched by the Dudley building society. The rate on the Castle income account rises to 12.5 per cent on sums over £50,000. There is instant access to amounts over the £10,000 minimum, while smaller amounts may be withdrawn at once with the loss of 90 days interest.

■ Bupa is raising the level of benefits for members by 7 per cent from July 1. It will also pay bills directly for members, ending the need for two sets of payments. The private health organisation is currently in the middle of refining the payment structure for different surgical and medical procedures.

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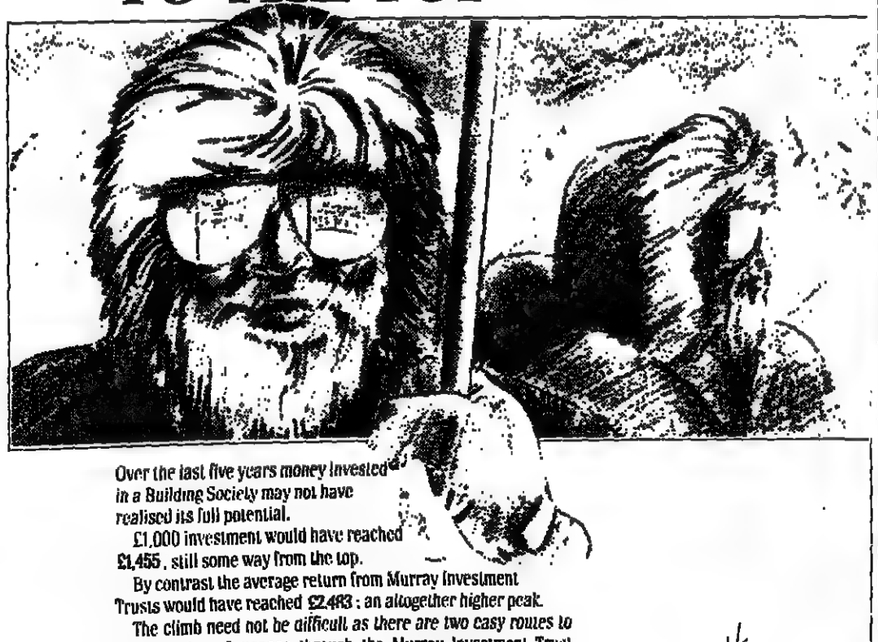

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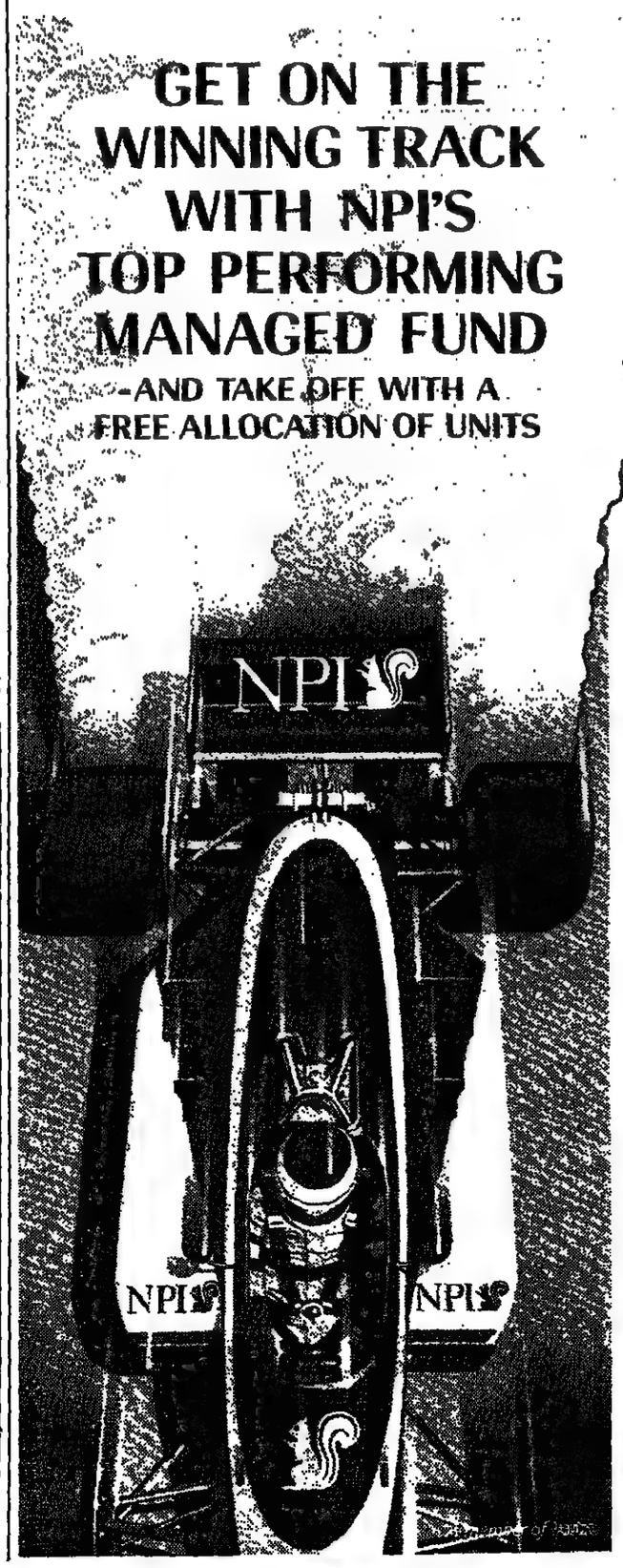


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# Fixed rates offered at 13.5%

By Jon Ashworth

SEVERAL fixed rate loans were launched this week with rates as low as 13.5 per cent, which both Royal Bank of Scotland and Newcastle building society are offering.

Bradford & Bingley has a loan fixed at 13.7 per cent for two years, while Prudential has loans fixed at 13.99 per cent and 13.95 per cent until May 1992 and the Britannia building society is offering a mortgage at 14.2 per cent which reduces by 0.15 per cent every six months until October 1993.

The new loans could shave up to £80 a month off the cost of a £50,000 mortgage. The Royal Bank of Scotland has fixed its rate at 13.5 per cent until June 1993 — 2.2 per cent below the standard mortgage rate of 15.7 per cent.

One snag is that borrowers must link their mortgage to an endowment or pension policy. This increases monthly costs, since premiums are added to the loan interest. Newcastle building society offers a similar deal, which must be linked to a home plan mortgage protection or endowment policy as well as homecover buildings and contents insurance. The rate of 13.5 per cent is fixed for two years, and funds are limited.

Unlike its rivals, the Bradford & Bingley loan can be taken on a repayment basis. The rate, also fixed for two years, is available on loans of £20,000 or more on up to 90 per cent of the valuation.

Borrowers can link the loan to an endowment, pension or personal equity plan. There is an arrangement fee of £100.

● A stabiliser mortgage with interest rates as low as 10 per cent has been launched by Crown Financial Management. It offers a choice of three interest rates — 10 per cent, 11 per cent or 12 per cent — and allows borrowers to switch between them. Part of the interest is deferred in the hope it will be paid off if interest rates fall.

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# Unit trust managers chase the tiger in booming SE Asia

By Rupert Bruce

A FLOOD of new Southeast Asian unit trusts is on the market, after an excellent performance by trusts investing in the fast-growing area last year.

But investors should beware: the region's stockmarkets are unlikely to offer such miraculous returns again.

Unit trust management companies have launched a total of five new Southeast Asian (or tiger) unit trusts in the last six months. They hope that investors will buy them encouraged by last year's star performance.

Hugh Young manages 1989's top performing unit trust, the Abtrust Far East Emerging Economies, which doubled in value last year.

He said: "You won't see the share price growth of the last two years. Investors have realised that there is a huge potential in this area and the consequent stockmarket re-rating has happened."

The Asian Development Bank expects Asian economies to grow at 6 per cent for each of the next three years, faster than anywhere else in the world.

But this will not fuel stockmarket performances comparable to 1989's, when Thailand rose by 127 per cent, Taiwan by 88 per cent and Malaysia by 57 per cent.

Japan has been the region's economic motor since 1985 when a rise in the Yen prompted it to set up factories among its poorer neighbours. Wages were cheaper as were property prices.

Initially, the main beneficiaries were Taiwan and South Korea. But as they have prospered so wages have risen, and now Japanese investment is swinging south. The average factory wage in South Korea is now $700 a month, compared with $115 in Thailand and $60 in Indonesia. Fund managers are following hot on the heels of the Japanese manufacturing companies. They are investing little money in the "frothy", expensive markets of Taiwan and South Korea.

JOHN CHAPMAN

Top performer: Hugh Young, manager of Abtrust

Instead fund managers are going to Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia, as well as the old colonial port economies of Hong Kong and Singapore.

The phenomenal rise in the region's stockmarkets has happened as investors — both foreign and domestic — have realised the potential for economic growth. Two or three years ago shares cost about 10 times the underlying companies earnings, whereas now they can cost up to 40 times.

Mr Young thinks some tiger markets still offer outstanding returns, even if they are not of last year's magnitude.

He expects share prices in Thailand, where 40 per cent of his £73 million fund is invested, to climb by 25 per cent in the next year.

Unit trusts investing in Southeast Asia's emerging economies are not for widows and orphans. Those investors who do want to buy them should pick a fund with a good track record. Untested fund managers may make mistakes.

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# General Portfolio cuts bond income

GENERAL Portfolio Life has shaved up to half a per cent off the rates on its guaranteed income and growth bonds.

The guaranteed income bonds now have a top rate of 11.3 per cent over one year, compared with 11.7 per cent, and the rate for two, three and four years falls to 10.75 per cent, 10.25 per cent and 10 per cent respectively.

The guaranteed growth bond will now earn a top net rate of 11.3 per cent over one year.

Over four years, the compounded rate is 46.41 per cent.

The minimum investment in the bonds is £1,000 with a monthly income option available for amounts of £5,000 or more.

For investments of £50,000 or more, the net rate of interest over one year is now 11.55 per cent.

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| | Nominal rate | Compounded at tax rates 25% | 40% | Min/max investment £ | Notice | Contact |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BANKS** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary Dep A/c: Typical | 5.00 | 5.10 | 4.08 | none/none | 7 day | — |
| Fixed Term Deposits: | | | | | | |
| Barclays | 10.81 | 10.81 | 8.65 | 25,000-50,000 | 1 mth | 01-626 1567 |
| " | 11.44 | 11.44 | 9.15 | 25,000-50,000 | 6 mth | 01-626 1567 |
| Lloyds | 10.38 | 10.38 | 8.30 | 2,500-no max | 1 mth | Local Brnch |
| " | 10.92 | 10.92 | 8.74 | 2,500-no max | 6 mth | Local Brnch |
| Midland | 10.43 | 10.43 | 8.34 | 10,000-no max | 1 mth | 01-260 2605 |
| " " " | 10.42 | 10.42 | 8.34 | 10,000-no max | 6 mth | 01-260 2605 |
| NatWest | 10.50 | 10.50 | 8.40 | 10,000-24,000 | 1 mth | 01-726 1000 |
| " " " | 10.63 | 10.63 | 8.50 | 10,000-24,000 | 6 mth | 01-726 1000 |
| **HIGH INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNTS** | | | | | | |
| Bank of Scotland MMC | 10.45 | 10.97 | 8.78 | 2,500‡ | none | 031-442 7777 |
| Barclays Prime a/c | 9.50 | 9.84 | 7.87 | 2,500‡ | none | 0604 252891 |
| Co-operative Ultra | 6.00 | 6.20 | 4.96 | No min‡ | none | 01 626 6543 |
| Girobank | 9.25 | 9.25 | 7.40 | 1,000‡ | none | 051 966 2076 |
| Lloyds HICA | 7.00 | 7.20 | 5.76 | 500‡ | none | 01-325 3338 |
| Midland HICA | 9.50 | 9.84 | 7.87 | 2,000‡ | none | — |
| NatWest Special Reserve | 9.00 | 9.31 | 7.45 | 500‡ | none | 01-374 3374 |
| Royal Bank of Scot Prem A/c | 9.75 | 10.11 | 8.09 | 2,500 | none | 031-556 8555 |
| TSB (England & Wales) | 9.00 | 9.00 | 7.20 | 2,000‡ | none | 01-600 6000 |
| **BUILDING SOCIETIES** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary Share A/c | 6.15 | 6.15 | 4.92 | 1 min | none | — |
| Best buy — largest socs: | | | | | | |
| Britannia | 9.90 | 9.90 | 7.92 | 250 min | none | — |
| National & Prov | 10.50 | 10.50 | 8.40 | 500 min | none | — |
| Britannia | 11.30 | 11.30 | 9.03 | 5,000 min | 60 day | — |
| Abbey National | 11.55 | 11.55 | 9.24 | 10,000 min | 90 day | — |
| Birmingham Mid. | 12.25 | 12.25 | 9.80 | 2,500 min | 1 year | — |
| Best buy — all socs: | | | | | | |
| Chelsea | 11.50 | 11.50 | 9.19 | 5,000 min | none | — |
| Guardian | 11.78 | 12.26 | 9.80 | 3,000 min | 30 day | — |
| St Pancras | 12.25 | 12.25 | 9.79 | 3,000 min | 60 day | — |
| Mornington | 11.95 | 12.31 | 9.84 | 10,000 min | 90 day | — |
| Standard | 12.70 | 12.70 | 10.15 | 5,000 min | 6 mths | — |
| Cash/Cheque Accounts: | | | | | | |
| Halifax Card Cash | 3.75 | 3.75 | 3.00 | 1 mn | | Rates rise |
| Alliance & Leicester | 6.90 | 6.90 | 5.52 | 500 mn | | with larger |
| Nationwide Anglia Flex | 6.00 | 6.00 | 4.80 | 500 mn | | balances |
| **NATIONAL SAVINGS** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary A/c† | 5.00 | 3.75 | 3.00 | 5-10,000 | 8 day | 041-649-4555 |
| Investment A/c* | 12.75 | 9.56 | 7.65 | 5-25,000 | 1 mth | 041-649-4555 |
| Income Bond* | 13.50 | 10.13 | 8.10 | 2,000-25,000 | 3 mth | 0253 66151 |
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| 35th Issue Cert*† | 9.50 | 9.50 | 9.50 | 25-1,000 | 8 day | 091-3864900 |
| Yearly Plan† | 9.50 | 9.50 | 9.50 | 20-200/mth | 14 day | 091-3864900 |
| General | | | | | | |
| Extension Rate† | 5.01 | 5.01 | 5.01 | | | |
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|---|---|---|---|
| RPI (May 89-90) | +9.7% | Spanish Pesetas: | 174.00 |
| Bank Base Rate | 15.0% | French Francs: | 8.53 |
| Personal Loan | 24.9% | Greek Drachmas: | 275.00 |
| Credit Card | 19.5-31% | Italian Lire: | 2083.00 |

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The indexed rise for calculating the indexation allowance on assets disposed of in May 1990

| RI month | RI year 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan | — | 0.528 | 0.453 | 0.384 | 0.311 | 0.262 | 0.222 | 0.137 | 0.058 |
| Feb | — | 0.521 | 0.447 | 0.373 | 0.308 | 0.257 | 0.217 | 0.129 | 0.050 |
| Mar | 0.589 | 0.516 | 0.443 | 0.369 | 0.305 | 0.254 | 0.212 | 0.124 | 0.040 |
| Apr | 0.557 | 0.497 | 0.424 | 0.332 | 0.292 | 0.240 | 0.193 | 0.104 | 0.009 |
| May | 0.546 | 0.491 | 0.418 | 0.326 | 0.290 | 0.238 | 0.188 | 0.097 | — |
| Jun | 0.542 | 0.487 | 0.415 | 0.323 | 0.290 | 0.238 | 0.184 | 0.094 | — |
| Jul | 0.541 | 0.480 | 0.416 | 0.325 | 0.294 | 0.240 | 0.183 | 0.093 | — |
| Aug | 0.541 | 0.473 | 0.403 | 0.322 | 0.290 | 0.236 | 0.170 | 0.090 | — |
| Sep | 0.542 | 0.466 | 0.400 | 0.322 | 0.284 | 0.232 | 0.164 | 0.082 | — |
| Oct | 0.534 | 0.461 | 0.392 | 0.320 | 0.282 | 0.228 | 0.153 | 0.074 | — |
| Nov | 0.527 | 0.456 | 0.388 | 0.316 | 0.271 | 0.221 | 0.147 | 0.065 | — |
| Dec | 0.530 | 0.452 | 0.389 | 0.314 | 0.257 | 0.222 | 0.144 | 0.062 | — |

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WEEKEND MONEY

# Trouble and strife with the card

## Shared plastic can leave partners in deep water, warns Lindsay Cook

GRAHAM PHILPOT

PEOPLE who share their credit and charge cards with partners can find it impossible to stop them spending should the relationship end.

A dentist who sent an instruction by recorded delivery to three companies to cancel his wife's cards, has been ordered by the High Court to pay debts that she ran up afterwards.

The wife incurred bills of £8,000 on an American Express card and £5,000 on a Barclays gold Visa card and Harrods card after he left her in 1986.

Last month the High Court in Liverpool ordered that he must pay Amex's bill. A statutory demand has been issued and the company could start proceedings to bankrupt him if he does not pay the bill. He has already paid Harrods and Barclays backed down about two weeks before court proceedings were due to take place.

Now the dentist wants to warn the thousands of other cardholders who are encouraged to apply for a supplementary card for their spouse not to do so.

Barclaycard recently introduced an £8 a year charge for cardholders, but it waives the charge for additional cardholders — the 1.5 million husbands and wives whose spouses have agreed to joint cards.

American Express frequently mails members suggesting that a supplementary card should be issued as a gift for their husband or wife.

Both say that cardholders can "cancel" supplementary cards but agree that this does not necessarily stop the partner using the card. If they do not try to spend more in a shop than is allowed without telephone authorisation from the card company, a substantial bill can be run up.

Any bills incurred by the additional cardholder would be the responsibility of the main cardholder. This is spelled out in the terms and conditions of the cards, the companies argue.

A spokesman for American Express said: "We don't take a dogmatic view. Cardholders should telephone us as soon as they are aware there might be a problem.

"They should then back it up in writing. We have to be careful that we are dealing with the right person."

The spokesman added: "The supplementary cardholder will still have a piece of plastic with which he or she can spend money. If they do not exceed the floor limit they will be able to keep the card. If they go over the limit it will be taken away.

"At the end of the day the cardholder will be responsible for such charges on the card. But we are flexible and try at all times to help the cardmember."

The spokesman pointed out that some couples could defraud the company by the main cardholder cancelling a card knowing the partner had been on a spending spree.

"We also have to be careful that there is no collusion between a husband and wife," he said.

Supplementary cards cost £15 a year compared with £32.50 for a main card.

At Barclaycard a spokeswoman said: "The number of problems with second cards is very small. If a cardholder thinks there is going to be a problem they should telephone us as soon as possible so that we can put a block on the card.

"Then if a retailer calls for authorisation we will ask for the card to be retained. A reward would be paid for doing so."

In the terms and conditions the cardholder was liable for a transaction made on an additional card but they treated cases as sympathetically as they could, she added.

"In most cases we would pick up the card before a large bill had been run up."

At Save & Prosper, Ian Lindsey, the banking director, said: "Our approach would be to write to the second party and advise them that they cannot use their card any more.

"If then an authorisation call came through within seven days we would speak to the cardholder to ascertain the nature of the transaction."

They would sanction restaurant or hotel bills being paid but not "non-necessary" purchases, said Mr Lindsey.

"We do not have supplementary cardholders. If a husband and wife share a card they are joint account-holders and if there is a dispute we refuse all transactions immediately.

"Most cardholder agreements state that the card can be withdrawn at any time at the discretion of the bank."

The dentist claims that Amex told him it could not cancel the wife's card but that he would have to visit her, ask for the card, cut it in two and return it to the company.

He says he asked the local police for guidance on how he should go about such an operation, and was warned that a policeman would need to go along to make sure that he did not cause a breach of the peace.

The dentist said: "My case is over. I will have to pay as you cannot operate as a dentist if you are bankrupt. But I do not feel it should be allowed to happen.

"I sent the letter to American Express recorded delivery so they know that they received it before my wife started spending. It told them not to accept anything more on her card, but she was able to spend £8,000.

"Some of the purchases were large and would have required a telephone authorisation. It would have been easy for them to have told the sales assistant to snap the card in two."

On the specific case the American Express spokesman said that it had received the recorded delivery letter on November 14 after the last authorised large purchase worth £520 from Selfridges on November 13. All the purchases made after this date were below the authorisation limits of the retailers.

The dentist has a post office counterfoil to show the recorded delivery letter was sent on October 30 and a letter from the Post Office that it was delivered on October 31.

The spokesman added: "If at this late date he is contesting the dates we would look into the new circumstances."

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# Tax law brings out trusting husbands

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

THE introduction of independent taxation has demonstrated how trusting husbands are, according to the Leeds Permanent. Many are prepared to hand over £20,000 to their wives so that they can use their personal tax allowance of £3,005 to set against interest on savings.

Three-quarters of investors in the building society's Isle of Man subsidiary, which pays interest gross, are married women — while most enquiries come from married men.

Under tax law any money handed over to a wife to invest must be an absolute gift.

David Andrew, the Leeds' head of savings and investment, said: "The men are obviously convinced their marriages are going to last."

Leeds' Permanent Overseas has received £125 million since its launch. It pays 12.25 per cent on the minimum balance of £10, rising to 15.75 per cent over £100,000. British taxpayers must declare such income to the revenue.

Much more cynical was one married man who telephoned Save & Prosper to enquire about its offshore account. "How can I be sure it won't be toy boy money?" he asked.

# Young to pay less for income protection

By JON ASHWORTH

CUSTOMERS of Barclays will soon be offered a new permanent health insurance plan which will provide regular income to policyholders who cannot work due to ill-health.

The family income protection plan, launched by Barclays Life, is unit-linked and includes a cash bonus for workers who are laid off.

The protection plan was first launched 18 months ago, but Barclays has improved some of the terms and extended the cover.

Paul Wheeler, life and pensions marketing manager, said the plan was aimed at employees aged from 25 to 45, and would prove more expensive for older clients.

The maximum age for new applicants is 55 for men and 50 for women.

A professional male, age 30, insuring himself for £20,000 a year, would pay £15.70 a month, £21.52 at age 40, and £26.73 at age 50.

The minimum premium is £10 a month, and employees can insure themselves for up to 75 per cent of their earnings.

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WEEKEND MONEY

# Society mergers hit the members

## Kathryn Deane explains why the small investor has lost out from building society consolidation

THE Building Societies Commission has sanctioned the merger of the Frome Selwood building society with the Stroud & Swindon, jilted suitor Cheltenham & Gloucester has picked up the Peckham on the rebound and it is the small investor that will become the wallflower at the dance.

For the Frome Selwood and Peckham are the last two of the cohort of societies whose forte was to offer high interest rates on small sums of money with easy access.

As is usually the case on a takeover, existing Frome Selwood investors will continue to be able to operate their accounts as if nothing had happened. But no new investors will be able to benefit from the Frome's useful one- and two-week notice accounts, because Stroud & Swindon offers nothing like them.

Investors with £500 will still be able to earn the 10.75 per cent that Frome was offering on its seven day notice account but the Stroud will make them wait a month for access to their money. Worse news awaits investors with the Peckham, who are not even being offered the opportunity to retain their existing accounts.

They will no longer be able to benefit from rates as high as 11.30 per cent on an instant access account for a mere £100, which is what the Peckham platinum portfolio has recently been offering.

Instead, they will become Cheltenham gold account holders, and their £100 will net them only 6.75 per cent. The bounty of 0.75 per cent with which Peckham investors were wooed into the merger will not go far to make up the difference.

This reduction in consumer choice is not new. Over the last four years, almost all building society mergers have involved not so much the joy of a wedding but the sorrow of a funeral.

The roll-call of high-paying societies reaped by profit-hungry larger outfits includes Aid To Thrift, Bedford, Bolton, Paddington and Wessex. All in their day paid the highest rates available to small savers wanting easy access. Bedford and Bolton were swallowed up by the acquisitive C&G, and their high-paying accounts were lost to new investors. Aid To Thrift merged with Cheshunt, whose three-month notice account is frequently a winner if you have £20,000 to invest. There's no joy there though for small savers.

Paddington was taken over by West of England, which then merged with the Regency to form the Regency & West of England. Wessex and Portman merged into Portman Wessex (innovative naming is not builidng societies' strongest suit). And Regency & West and Portman Wessex are merging later this year to form the Portman.

This is a more even-handed set of mergers. All these societies have had high-paying accounts of one type or another. Portman Wessex's extra ordinary share became almost as good as the old Wessex account. But such cases are the exception rather than the rule, and there does not seem to have been a case in the last four years where savers have actually benefited from a merger.

Counter bid: society rates have suffered in merger

It is not only small savers in *small societies* who have lost out. Bolton paid consistently high rates on sums of £10,000 or more. Not only did the C&G have nothing to match it when it took Bolton over, but no other society did either.

Even high street mergers can leave savers out of pocket. When Nationwide and Anglia merged, it was Anglia's accounts that were lost — and in most categories, it was the Anglia accounts that were the more useful or were the slightly better payers.

*Motives* for merger have subtly changed over the past few years. When Rodney Partington announced the demise of the Colchester building society in 1987 he said the merger was to provide his society's members "access to an increasing range of investment, homebuying, insurance, personal loan and other services." Now the talk is of pure survival.

Until recently, members have rarely had a choice in the matter of who the suitor would be. The battle for Frome Selwood by the Stroud & Swindon and C&G may have changed all that.

# Commission gives Frome go-ahead

By RODNEY HOBSON

THE FROME Selwood building society heard yesterday that its merger with the Stroud and Swindon will go ahead.

Members will receive a 2 per cent bonus on their savings plus a 0.5 per cent discount on mortgage payments for six months. The building society commissioners held a confirmation hearing on Tuesday.

The commissioners do not have power to turn down a building society merger on grounds of merit. The main point of contention in the Frome case was that at least 49 *of its investors and borrowers* received Stroud proxy forms, making some votes invalid and possibly deterring others from voting.

How many people were sent the wrong forms and how the mistake happened was not resolved at the hearing.

Frome members who voted on Stroud proxy forms in the belief that this was better than not voting learned they were mistaken. A vote on the wrong form was invalid.

Indeed, Malcolm Waters, counsel for the Frome and Stroud societies, contended that there was no obligation, either in the Building Societies Act or the Frome's own rules, for the society to send out proxy forms at all, although "it was undeniably a matter of considerable regret" that some wrong ones were issued.

The onus is on members of societies in future mergers to check that they have the correct proxy form and to obtain one from a branch of the society if necessary.

Frome said the invalid investors' votes were 36 to 8 in favour of the merger, with one spoilt. Four borrowers with the wrong forms produced two votes for with two spoilt.

The commission can withhold permission if material information was not made available to all members, if the vote did not represent members' views or if a requirement of the Building Societies Act or the societies' own rules were broken.

The Frome directors, stung by suggestions that they were feathering their own nests in favouring the Stroud link rather than a deal with the *C&G*, gave details of three offers made by the C&G refuting this.

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| | Inc | Acc | Yield | Spread | Max Spread |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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| Dividend | 640 8p xd | 2194·0p | 6·10% | 5·44% | 7 06% |
| SECOND | 1051 9p | 2282 2p | 4 79% | 5 44% | 7 68% |

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# Manulife launches shares dripfeed

By Jon Ashworth

BANK and building society savers have a new way of buying shares without putting all their money at risk.

A new investment plan, to be launched on Monday by Manulife, the insurance group, will give them the choice of drip-feeding money from a deposit account to as many as 10 unit trusts.

The plan, called asset builder, is designed to spread payments over two years, allowing investors to buy stocks and shares gradually.

The idea is not a new one. Gartmore offered Cheltenham & Gloucester customers the chance to invest the interest earned on a savings account in unit trusts, but this was withdrawn in 1988. Stuart Perilli, managing director of Manulife Management, said his company was well placed to succeed. It owns Western Trust and Savings, a regional bank based in Plymouth, Devon, and sells through independent brokers and a large salesforce.

"We are looking for gaps in the financial marketplace, and this is a way of prizing money out of building societies which is there by default," said Mr Perilli.

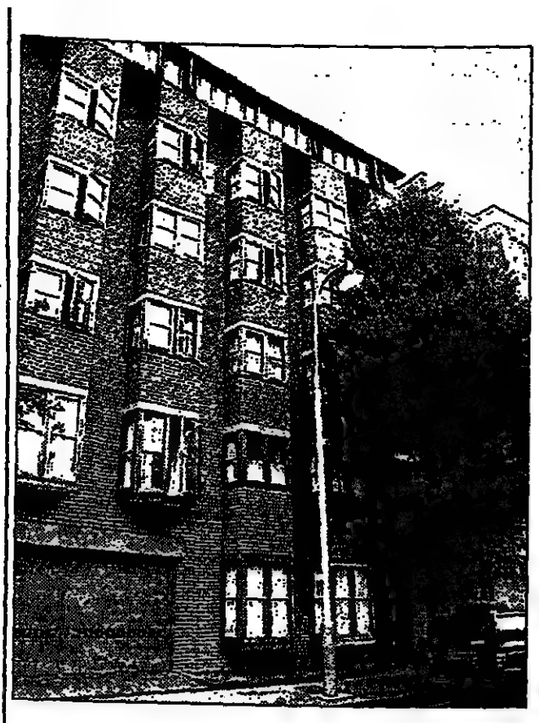
High interest rates made it seem even more attractive to leave money sitting where it was, but asset builder was a way of trickling it into shares without the risks of a one-off investment.

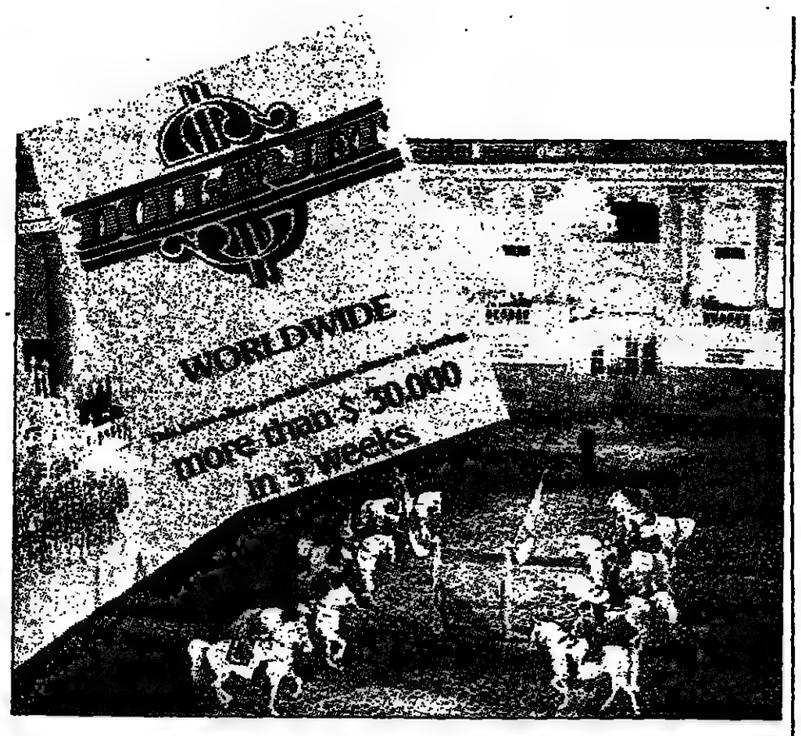
Mr Perilli added the plan would be most attractive when interest rates were high and the outlook for shares was uncertain. "It's a matter of timing. For investors who are a little uncertain, asset builder will fill the troughs and flatten the peaks."

Clients place from £5,000 to £250,000 in a deposit account with Western Trust, paying a 3 per cent initial charge, and earning 10.5 per cent after tax on their money. The rate is guaranteed to be no less than 6 per cent below the base rate at any one time.

Money is transferred by 24 equal payments to a unit trust regular savings plan, subject to an upfront charge of 2.25 per cent and an annual charge of 1.25 per cent.

Manulife has won awards for investment performance in the past, but there are signs that its grip may be slipping. Manulife Growth, a unit trust investing in UK shares, is ranked nineteenth of 75 funds over five years, according to Micropal.






Broken chain: money was to be sent to the mysterious Mr Gomes London address (left) and to a PO box in Vienna where the letter originated

# Illegal links in the international chain letter that fails to deliver

By Tony Hetherington

FAMILIES who have paid to take part in a money-making chain letter have issued a warning to potential entrants that the vast sums promised do not materialise.

Home Office officials have backed up their complaints and denounced the scheme as illegal.

The chain letters originate from Commerce Control Inc, a Panamanian company whose actual location and ownership is unknown. All correspondence comes from a post office box in the Austrian capital, Vienna.

From there, professionally produced literature is mailed to addresses around the world, inviting recipients to join the company's Dollarjet scheme. The same leaflets have so far appeared in English, French and Arabic.

To take part in Dollarjet costs $90, just over £50. Participants pay $30 for a list of five names and addresses of people who have already joined ahead of them. They must then send $30 or the equivalent to the person whose name heads the list, plus a final $30 to Commerce Control in Vienna. Thus, whether entrants profit or not, the organisers make a fixed $30 from every recruit for almost no outlay on their part.

All they provide to new recruits in return for their fee is four leaflets designed to attract still more participants. The leaflets include a fresh list of names and addresses, with the new participant's name entered in fifth place.

The new participant is supposed to sell these leaflets and the lists of names and addresses to four friends for $30 each, recruiting them into Dollarjet. If this can be managed it will bring in $120 and thus more than cover the initial outlay of $90.

The four recruits then follow the same steps, sending money to the person at the top of the list and a fee to the Vienna box number. They in turn will be sent four leaflets each, and this time the name of the person who recruited them will appear fourth.

The process continues, with each person whose name reaches the top of the list being entitled, in theory, to expect 1,024 payments of $30 to flood in. As Dollarjet's leaflets explain, "You receive $30,720 without financial engagement on your part!" According to the organisers, the whole procedure should take between four and six weeks.

**We got a few dollars back, but then it just stopped. Altogether we just about covered what we put in**

They claim: "The Dollarjet system is neither a lottery nor a game of chance for which you have to buy tickets, but is based on a logical arithmetical system which, consistently followed, leads to a large gain for the participants."

However, William Amankwah, an architect who lives in Essex, casts doubt on this. He and his wife Charlotte each joined, hoping to double the promised payout of more than $30,000.

"We got £100 out of it," he said. "It cost us about £80 to enter, but we got that back when we sold the forms to other people. That covered our initial outlay. But really, it is not worth the effort involved. We would not enter again. It takes some doing to convince people to buy the forms, and what we got back just wasn't worth it."

And Mrs Amankwah questioned the way in which names are selected by Commerce Control for the money-winning top spot on the leaflets. Some unscrupulous organisers of chain letters in the past have been known to insert their own names, or the names of friends, in high places on the lists.

She said: "What we do not understand is why the person who recruited us was not at the top of the list on which we appeared in second place. Instead, there was somebody we did not know."

Mrs Amankwah and her husband were recruited by Mr Senyo Tetteh, also an architect, who lives in Ilford, Essex.

He said: "We got a few dollars back, but then it just stopped. Altogether we just about covered what we put in."

Mr Tetteh was surprised to be told that on at least some of the leaflets in circulation, his family's name appeared below that of the Amankwah family he had recruited.

"We are supposed to be above them," he said. "Then, after we receive our money, they go into top place and we drop off the list."

Instead, in top place was a Mr Gomes, whose address was said to be in an apartment block in Thanet Street, not far from St Pancras Station, central London. Enquiries there failed to uncover Mr Gomes, however, or any explanation for his prominence on the Dollarjet prize list.

A neighbour said: "You will have to go a long way to find Mr Gomes, I'm afraid. He left a few months ago and his wife moved out in May. I believe he is in Africa, but he left no forwarding address."

The Home Office has said it regards Dollarjet as an unlawful lottery. "Vienna is outside our jurisdiction, of course, so we cannot prosecute anybody there," an official explained.

"But we are concerned that people inside the UK are being approached to join Dollarjet and perhaps distribute its literature. Our advice is that if people receive approaches from this organisation they should report them to the police."

# Building societies move towards letting homes under possession

By Margaret Dibben

SOME building societies have decided to rent out houses taken into possession rather than try to sell them in the current depressed market.

The Halifax has already started doing this on a small scale and the Nationwide Anglia may follow this autumn.

The Woolwich has considered the option but has no plans to proceed at present. However, since house sales failed to respond to the traditional spring upturn and repossessions have increased sharply in recent months, this is an option that more societies could follow.

There are practical problems connected with letting as opposed to selling a defaulter's home but there are no legal reasons why a society should not do so.

Les Wise, general manager mortgages and insurance at the Nationwide Anglia, said: "The Building Societies Act imposes on us a duty to sell repossessed homes at the best possible price but it doesn't state that we must sell the property."

Sam Gracie, Halifax's controller of lending operations, said: "The old remedy of selling on the open market, hopefully making a profit and paying the customer back a bit of money is not always open to us now so we have to look at alternatives."

Building societies have a responsibility to do their best for the customer, including borrowers who have defaulted on their loans. By letting property, said Mr Gracie, any rent coming in goes to the mortgage account, which keeps the debt from rising and is in the borrower's best interest.

"If we sell for a higher price than we could have got six months' before, the borrower will get a better return."

But there were drawbacks to letting. "In most circumstances, the property has to be let furnished which is costly because the furniture is worth nothing at the end of it all.

"And to do sensible letting, you have to give people a reasonable period for the tenancy so you are locked in for some considerable time. Then, when you let people don't look after it as well as their own home."

Nationwide Anglia looked at the possibility of renting property at the beginning of the year. Mr Wise said: "We asked our estate agency arm if there was a market to rent repossessed properties. Unfortunately we got a fairly negative response because they were looking to the spring when they expected house sales to improve."

He added: "We will now give more serious thought to letting and look at the implications and the cost benefits of doing it.

"The market hasn't picked up this spring and we will be reassessing this as a solution for looking after these properties over the autumn and winter."

In recent weeks, the number of repossessed properties has increased and societies are not able to sell them as fast as they are coming on to their books. Many borrowers are now voluntarily asking their lenders to repossess their homes.

"Up to six months ago, we didn't have that many actual properties in possession but there has been an enormous number come in during 1990," said Mr Wise.

Since the end of the financial year on April 5, Nationwide Anglia has taken in over 600 properties and disposed of just over 300. Mr Wise expects to be taking properties into possession at a rate approaching 800 to 900 a quarter.

David Small, general manager for housing and legal services at the Woolwich, agreed that repossessions have increased.

"We took a few more last month than I would have chosen.

"It is still under control but much higher seasonally than I would choose and higher than the first couple of months for the year."

Mr Small does not rule out the possibility at some stage of selling properties to a Woolwich subsidiary which rents houses.

The Halifax has rented out a few properties in areas like Kensington in London where there is a big letting market and where tenants will pay quite high rents.

Mr Gracie said: "Renting is an option not a panacea. It is not suitable for the average possession we have because there are too many downsides."

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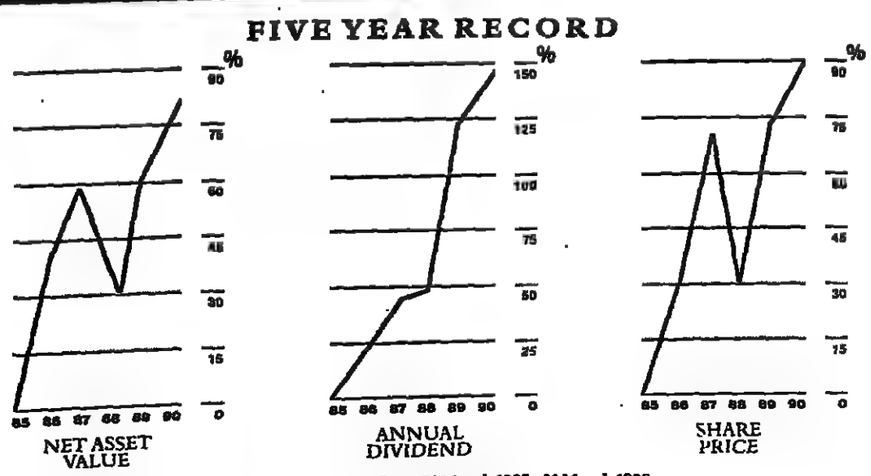


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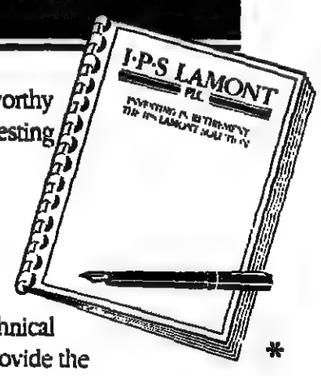


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# Commission sells investors short

**Financial advice can seriously damage your investment, reports Janet Walford**

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INVESTORS who pay commission through their pension or insurance policy payments instead of opting for an up-front fee find that the final payout is devastatingly reduced.

Brokers who sell life insurance policies or pension plans are usually paid by commission. This applies whether the adviser is independent and able to select from all the products on the market, or an agent tied to the products of a single life company.

The life assurer pays commission to the agent or adviser from the premiums or contributions which the consumer pays for the plan. Although most people seem to prefer to pay for their advice in instalments like this, they could change their minds once they realise exactly how much this can amount to over the years.

The solution is to pay a fee at the outset so that a much *greater proportion of each* premium goes towards providing benefits.

These are the findings of a survey to be published next week in the July issue of *Money Management* magazine, which reviews the effects of commission payments on *the personal pension plans of* 40 different companies.

Until recently, life companies were not prepared to *offer plans without* commission. For independent advisers who charged fees, the only alternative was to rebate the commission to the client.

*This was unsatisfactory* because although rebated, the deduction of commission still had the same effect on final benefits.

However, one of the effects of the Financial Services Act was that the old arrangement between insurance companies to limit the amount of commission to an agreed maximum was abandoned in favour of a free market.

Unfortunately, one of the side-effects of the free market was to push up commissions. And with the added impact of companies having to reveal more information to customers about the commission paid, more and more independent advisers are turning to fee charging.

*Consequently more* insurance companies are prepared to quote products without commission.

The amount of fee charged *will, of course,* depend on how complicated your affairs are, but for something as comparatively straightforward as a personal pension the fee *should be about £500.*

This, of course, has to be paid in a lump sum at the outset, unlike commission which is paid in instalments over the term of the policy. Almost two-thirds of the commission comes out of the first year's premiums, so affecting performance from the outset.

When investors pay a fee they lose interest on that money. Allowing for interest at 13 per cent, the £500 equates to £1,697 over 10 years. But this is still much cheaper than paying by commission, unless the annual *contributions are less than* £750.

Take, for example, a personal pension with a contribution level of £5,000 a year over 10 years for a man due to retire at the age of 60. If he paid commission, his plan would be worth on average £5,802 less at maturity compared with the £1,697 for the fee. The calculation assumes a year on year 13 per cent growth rate for the pension.

In the worst case given in the survey the return would be reduced by £10,751. The best case was a reduction of £2,770, which is still £1,000 more expensive than paying a fee at the outset.

If the plan was for 25 years instead of ten the £500 fee would work out at a total cost of £10,615 at 13 per cent a year.

This may seem a lot until it is compared with the loss of benefits directly caused by paying commission. On average this works out at a massive £54,477. The biggest loss of benefits was £95,676, with the smallest being £26,934.

One surprise in the survey was the relatively poor showing of the non-commission paying offices. These are life companies which make a point of saying that they pay no commission to independent advisers.

However, they do pay commission to their own sales staff. The best known offices of this kind are Equitable Life and London Life.

The survey shows that in the great majority of cases the individual would pay less in charges by taking out a plan with one of the commission paying offices that are quoting non-commission terms, even after the fee for independent advice is taken into account.

This is because the life office will not pay commission to either their own sales staff or to brokers.

One final point. A personal pension or life policy can only be bought free of commission through an independent financial adviser, who will charge you a fee instead. The companies will not allow customers to bypass the system to avoid all payment.

Janet Walford is editor of *Money Management.*

**Comparison of fees or commission**

| | 10 years £ | 25 years £ |
|---|---|---|
| *Average projected retirement fund* | 101,075 | 758,355 |
| Cost of £500 fee paid at outset | 1,697 | 10,615 |
| Reduction in projected fund from commission: | | |
| lowest | 2,770 | 26,934 |
| average | 5,802 | 54,477 |
| highest | 10,751 | 95,676 |

**Charges deducted from commission-free plans**

| | 10 years £ | 25 years £ |
|---|---|---|
| Average projected retirement fund | 101,075 | 758,355 |
| Lowest charges | 3,052 | 41,042 |
| Average charges | 7,997 | 125,885 |
| Highest charges | 12,831 | 224,372 |
| London Life | 9,029 | 144,307 |
| Equitable Life | 10,126 | 151,950 |

*All figures for Tables 1 and 2 based on £5,000 a year premium for a male due to retire at age 60. Growth rate assumed is 13 per cent a year*

## Portfolio PLATINUM

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 46).

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# Act paves way for fees-based service

By PAUL NUKI

SMALL investors, who traditionally have had no option but to pay for savings and investment products through commissions, may soon be offered the option of paying for all financial advice in cash.

This projected change has been forced by the Financial Services Act and the requirement it has placed on independent advisers to declare the amount of commission they are being paid. Tied salesmen linked to only one company *are under no such obligation.*

Arthur Selman, a director of the Securities and Investment Board, said: "Fee charging is a hallmark of professionalism. The future health of the independent market depends on independent advisers cultivating a professional image."

For the consumer the move can only be positive. Commissions will remain an option for those who cannot afford to pay a fee, while those who pay can make significant savings.

Of the independent advisers already working on a fee basis most are accountants or solicitors. Their core services have always been charged at an hourly rate, so to ask a fee for financial planning comes as a matter of course.

The size of the fee charged, like commission, varies enormously. Depending on the individual advisers experience and the firm's pedigree, investors can expect to pay anything between £50 and £150 an hour for a full service.

"Anybody of any size would be better off on a fees related basis," said Alan Kelly, senior financial planning consultant at Grant Thornton's, the accountants. His argument hangs not on the premise that fees will always work out cheaper than commissions but that only by paying a fee are non-commission based, generic recommendations likely to be put forward.

This is the crux of the issue for investors who want to plan for the long term.

Few advisers offer such a service as it does not pay to spend time mapping out lifelong financial strategies encompassing everything from tax mitigation to high street banking. For planning of this type a fee must be paid if the adviser is to survive

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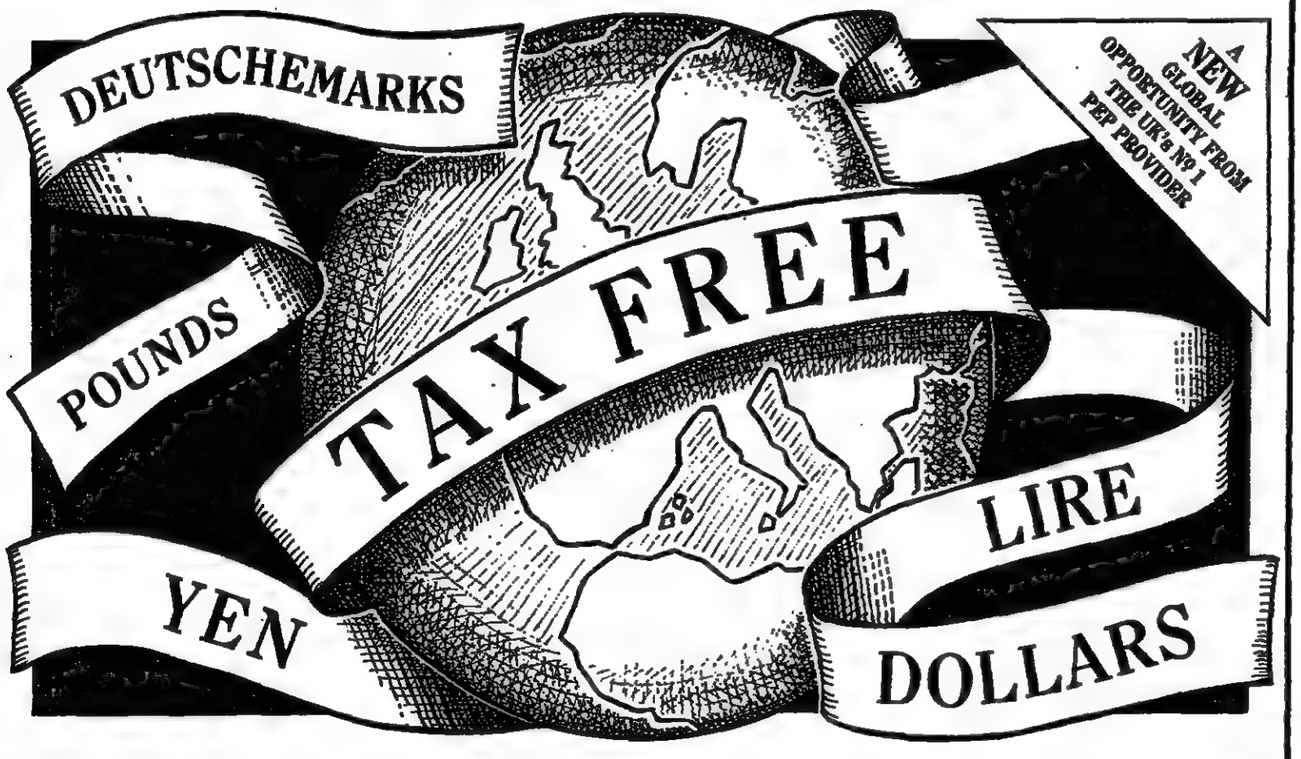


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# WEEKEND MONEY

LETTERS

## Continuing theft problem of valuables sent by post

*From Mr Edward Pond*

Sir, This morning I received through the ordinary first class mail a new credit card. At various times recently I have also received unsolicited cheque books, and a building Society account book in an unsealed envelope. All this in spite of numerous requests not to send me valuable negotiable instruments through the post.

The local postman has had four attempts made upon him to steal his mail, three of them successful. One attempt, involving a passerby who intervened, resulted in him being slashed with a knife.

At the last count there had been 11 attacks on postmen working out of the local sorting office in the last year or so.

An unfortunate aspect of this sorry situation is that the Royal Mail refuse to inform residents in a particular walk following a theft that their mail might have been stolen. Unfortunate people are left therefore waiting anxiously for their Girocheques, pension books, travel tickets or whatever.

A letter from the director of field operations, Royal Mail dated April 20 said: "Unfortunately our postmen are now liable to attack in many parts of London and Mr Pond is quite correct in saying that there have been three incidents of mail theft in the Blackheath Park area recently.

"In the worst affected areas, it is now necessary for delivery staff to be accompanied by escorts when delivering the mail to reduce the risk of attack!"

Until this sorry state of affairs is publicized and remedied the public will go on thinking that the Royal Mail is sacrosanct.

The banks and others continue to send valuables by unrecorded mail and more importantly, cheque books and credit cards used by unscrupulous thieves before their rightful owners ever know they were supposed to have them.

Yours faithfully,
EDWARD POND,
Edward Pond Associates,
Chartered Designers,
The Coach House Studios,
99 Blackheath Park,
SE3.
June 15.

## Penalty of using non-account branches

*From Mr John B. Pope*

Sir, It seems unacceptable that a clearing bank such as the Midland requires a £6 fee to cash a cheque at a branch other than the one where the account is held.

One can pay money in at any branch. We are in the age of electronics and it should be a standard procedure to withdraw one's own money from any branch one chooses without financial penalty. I have twice successfully insisted on so doing, and recommend that others follow my example.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN B POPE,
Wyndhams,
Quarry Lane,
Chicksgrove,
Tisbury,
Salisbury,
Wilts.

Midland Bank explained that customers are charged if they want to exceed their cheque guarantee card limit at other branches. Midland branches are not linked by computer and a telephone enquiry has to be made of the branch holding the account. This costs both time and money. Customers have cash machines available for making withdrawals, said a spokesman. The charge was levied to discourage customers using other branches.

## Mr Micawber's timely advice

*From Mr Lindsay Tweedale*

Sir, One of the ways to reduce inflation is to reduce the amount of personal borrowing. A letter from the manager of Lloyds Bank, Ramsgate, who at present has my small current account is relevant.

He reminds me that I may at any time borrow £2,500, and more if I have a chat with him. He says this is a comfortable buffer against unexpected bills or a simple and short term way to stretch the household budget.

This smells of a slippery slope. In fairness he does mention that there are interest charges, in fact 25.3 per cent.

He suggests this arrangement is suitable for any major purchase such as cars, furniture, home improvements or leisure items including holidays.

Now I have never borrowed money from anyone, believing the excellent advice of Mr Micawber: "If you have not the money, do without it."

As a result I am a happy man.

These glossy exhortations to get into debt are immoral. Whilst not illegal at present, Government may in its wisdom require a prominent warning to be displayed on every one.

GED.

If you cannot afford the cost of the coveted article now, you certainly cannot afford the cost plus the punishing APR of 25.3 per cent.

Yours faithfully,
LINDSAY TWEEDALE,
20 High Street,
Minster,
Ramsgate,
Kent.

## Paying rates and community charge

*From Professor Samuel Cohen*

Sir, There is another anomaly brought about by the community charge to add to that described by Miss Lorna Dell (June 2).

My son and his family from abroad are spending a year in London and have rented a furnished house. The rental, which was fair, was agreed last summer and was inclusive of rates (about £65 per month) and water rates. It did not occur to my son that from April 1, 1990 no rates would be payable.

If the rent now remains unchanged then about £65 per month which previously was paid over by the landlord in respect of rates is now going into his pocket whilst my son and his wife are now both paying the community charge. The landlord appears to be unable to understand that his tenant is paying twice. I wonder how common this problem is?

Yours sincerely,
PROF SAMUEL I. COHEN,
The London Hospital
Medical College,
Turner Street,
Whitechapel,
E1.

## Green answer to flood of junk mail

*From Mrs E Colman*

Sir, Re: Junk Mail Complaints Rise (June 9).

Your article was most interesting and I noted details of the Mailing Preference Service, but apart from intrusion of privacy I realise that I react fairly positively to junk mail:

1. Appeal for worthy cause — painless: I send a cheque.
2. Junk paper — put with other paper for recycling collection.
3. Envelope's invariably enclosed — stick on 'Save Trees' economy label and use for personal mail: I rarely need to buy envelopes.

Yours sincerely,
MRS E COLMAN,
P.O. Box 119,
WC1.

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## Insurance for buildings and contents

*From Mr George Peoples*

Sir, Would it be possible for you to answer two questions in your column please:

1. Are both buildings and contents insurance compulsory?
2. Do I really have to buy them from my building society, the Halifax?

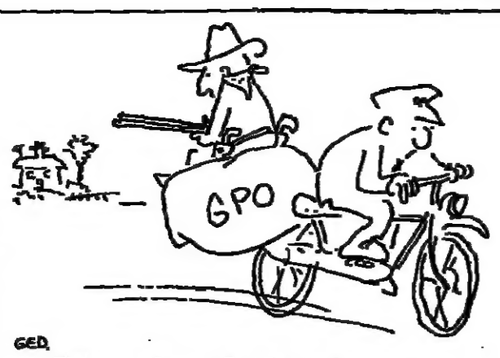
Yours sincerely,
GEORGE PEOPLES,
32 Collon Lane,
Derry,
Northern Ireland.

Lenders require homebuyers to have adequate buildings insurance to make sure that their security is completely safeguarded.

Societies might on occasions give the impression that borrowers have to take out insurance through them but this is not the case with standard loans.

Where a special fixed rate or discounted loan is offered there may be a requirement to take out the lender's own insurance.

There is no compulsion to take out contents insurance and it has been estimated that as many as one in four householders do not have this type of cover.



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## The price of administration

*From D. Thomas*

Sir, Four weeks ago I visited my local council offices to collect my travel tokens (I am a pensioner). I was informed that an "administration fee" of £2.50 was payable.

Two weeks ago I discussed the renewal of my motor car insurance with my broker. I had received a slightly more favourable quotation from another insurer for whom my broker was also an agent. I was told that if I wished to change insurer an "administration fee" of £2 would be payable by me to the broker.

This week I asked a garden machinery supplier to quote a price for a particular model of lawn-mower. I was given a price but also told that if I wanted it "built-up" a fee of £5 would be added.

I elicited the information that "built-up" meant removing the machine from its box, fitting the handles and plugging in the electric cable.

What next? Perhaps a bill will arrive with an "administration fee" for its preparation and, who knows, maybe there will be a further fee for receiving my cheque when I settle the account!

Yours faithfully,
D. THOMAS,
3 Stanagate,
Clifton,
Preston.

## Misapprehension over who benefits most in delayed cheque transactions

*From Mr John Harris*

Sir, In his letter appearing in Family Money on June 9, George Gray suggested that banks are out of touch with their customers. I would suggest that Mr Gray is out of touch with reality when he says that transaction delays always favour the banks.

He seems to forget that when a cheque is cashed at another branch, the customer's account is not debited for three days after value has been given, and that in the case of a credit card the customer may obtain up to fifty-six days' interest-free credit at the expense of the bank. So it is apparent that delays in transaction processing can work both for and against the banks and that a customer, if he possesses any initiative, can very much make the system work in his favour.

Furthermore, Mr Gray states that the bank gains twice as it has the cash to invest. This is a totally incorrect assumption. It may be a little known fact outside banking circles that a branch is in fact, charged at base rate by its head office for the cash held in its tills because by holding assets as cash, the bank is prevented from utilising its assets in areas that would provide a substantial return.

My only hope is that Mr Gray is not a customer of the bank with whom I am employed.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN HARRIS,
Ruislip,
Middlesex.
June 12.

## Hazard of overpayment on direct debit

*From Mr G. Claringbold*

Sir, There is a further hazard with direct debits (recent letters) if used for paying budget accounts. I have been overpaying British Gas for some time. I wrote reducing the debit and asked for my account to be credited with £200. They say they do not have the mechanism to credit my account and some weeks later I still await their cheque.

Yours faithfully,
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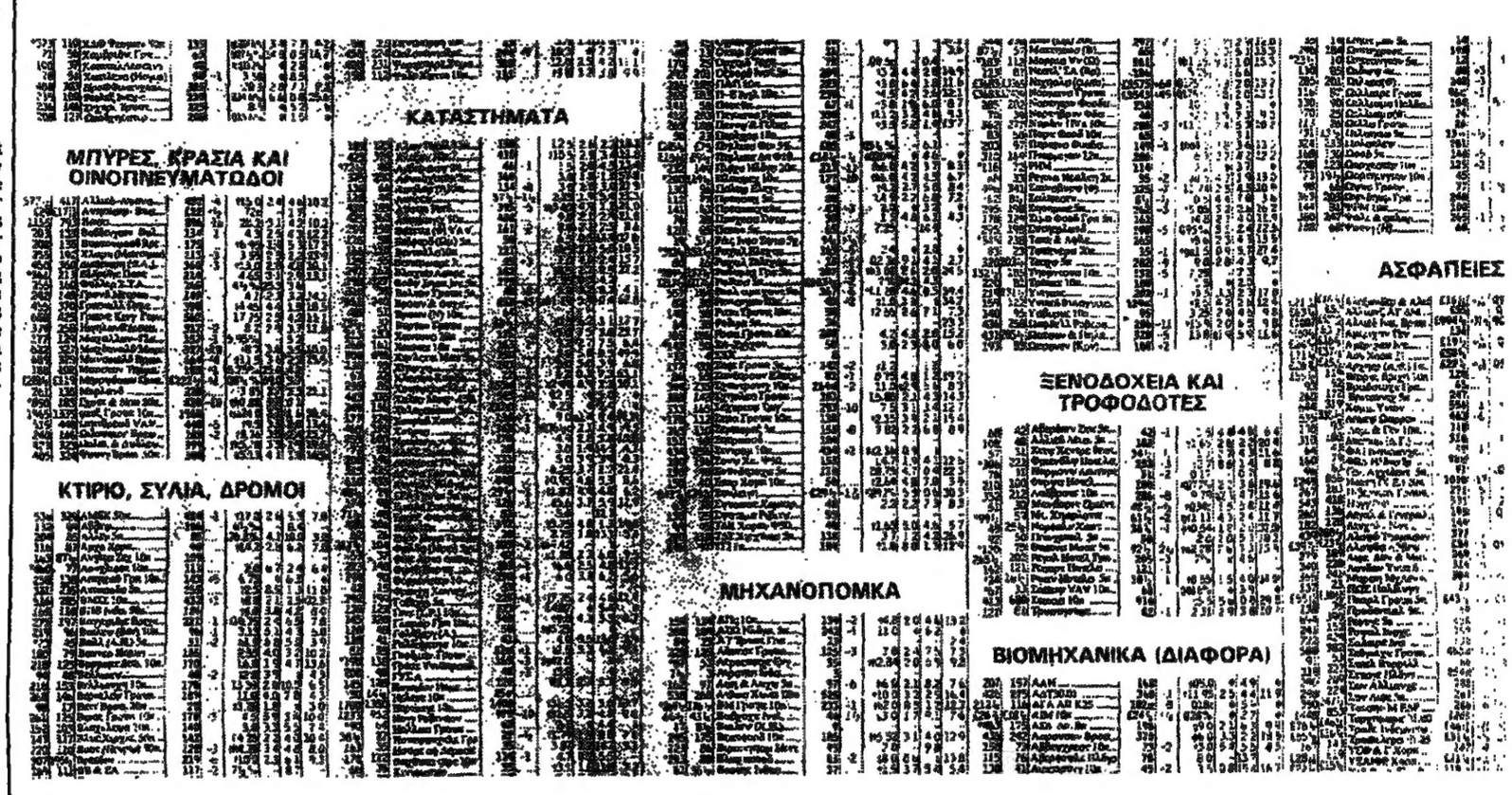



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WEEKEND MONEY

# Inaction louder than words

**COMMENT**

LINDSAY COOK
FAMILY MONEY EDITOR

How easy it is for politicians to gain a round of applause by worrying out loud about the increase in personal debt. Chancellor John Major had his worrybeads out again yesterday in front of a Conservative women's conference in London. Those comfortable ladies agreed with every word. They shared Mr Major's distate for indescriminate mail shots and credit advertising.

And like him, they no doubt worried about the trends in the way in which credit is marketed. "Too often the implication is that further borrowing is a good idea for all regardless of their income or their existing level of commitments", Mr Major said.

A week ago, the Governor of the Bank of England, Robin Leigh-Pemberton, was on the same tack at an anniversary dinner for the Association of International Savings Banks. He was bewailing the "rapid and massive growth in personal borrowing".

He, too, pinned the blame on the advertising of credit. And those involved with credit counselling, those who have seen families broken by debt, houses repossessed, the misery of poverty exaggerated by loan repayments, will stand on the sidelines and cheer.

Or will they?

To listen to Mr Major or Mr Leigh-Pemberton, one would imagine that neither the Chancellor of the Exchequer nor the Governor of the Bank of England had any control over matters, that those two wise men could do nothing but wring their hands as credit demand grew. Nonsense. The Treasury and the Bank of England are the very architects of the growth in credit. They allowed the money supply to grow too fast. The commercial banks did what their shareholders expect them to do: lend it.

There is little point in Messrs Major and Leigh-Pemberton trying to control credit by exhortation. It has to be done by regulation, because if the "responsible" lenders listen, and step back, the irresponsible will step right in to fill their place. The Bank of England has the power to limit lending, and the Chancellor has the clout to make it use them. All that is required is the will.

## Card trick

Beware the persuasive powers of credit companies suggesting that you should make your partner happy with the gift of a plastic card. Brochures arrive regularly inviting certain charge card holders to give a supplementary card to their spouse for a mere £15 a year. The costs, as the case history on page 49 shows, can be a great deal more and might even result in bankruptcy. Yet the invitations carry no health warning.

Some 200,000 Amex cardholders have taken up the offer, probably unaware that giving a card to their partner and agreeing to pay all the bills whatever the circumstances is potentially one of the most dangerous financial decisions a person can make. There is little to stop a spouse from continuing to spend for up to two years after the main cardholder tries to cancel the card.

There are more than 2 million second cards in issue and the number is rising. Given that nearly two in five marriages are expected to end in divorce, there must be thousands of supplementary cardholders in the throes of separating from the one who pays the bill at any one time. Barclaycard has 1.5 million additional cardholders and the introduction of its £8 a year charge next month could increase the number. Second cards are free. Lloyds, which charges £12 a year on its Access card has a half price offer for additional cards.

Supplementary cards are big business. But for the cardholders they can be bad business. The card companies are anxious to increase their market share but by making shared cards more attractive than separate accounts, the issuing companies should bear some responsibility when things go wrong. Since the main cardholder bears all the bills even after the relationship has ended, the card companies should make sure that the systems for stopping the spending are foolproof.

In the case involving Amex it took at least two weeks for the company to stop authorising blatantly large sums. The opportunities to retain the card appear to have been many and all missed. A single telephone call should be enough to cancel a card. This should be followed up by a letter of confirmation. The case detailed is unusual because the cardholder decided to send the letter by recorded delivery and could show when it arrived. Most people sending such letters will be subject to the vagaries of the the postal system. And if they are told that the notification arrived too late to stop a spending spree, they will probably believe it.

The companies reassure us that they always deal with cases sympathetically and that very few joint cards cause them problems. Yet they admit that if an estranged husband or wife refuses to hand over a card they can go on spending until it expires, unless they try to spend more than a shop's floor limit. That simply is not good enough.

# Gilts cheered by prospect of ERM entry helping to beat inflation

THE gilt-edged market has been enjoying a modest revival, spurred on not only by hopes of Britain's early entry into the exchange-rate mechanism (ERM) but also by indications that some larger fund managers are selling equities to buy gilts, writes Richard Irving.

From its low in April, the FTA all government stock index has rallied nearly 6 per cent, reflecting a surge in demand from British institutions and overseas investors, which have been encouraged by the strong pound.

But it is the prospect of entry into the ERM that has really given the market cause for cheer. If the Chancellor of the Exchequer takes Britain into the ERM by the autumn, gilts, which have long suffered in the shadow of rising inflation, will take heart from a decisive move in the fight against it.

If all goes to plan, Chris Anthony, analyst at UBS-Phillips & Drew, believes gilt investors could be looking at a tax-free capital gain of about 18 per cent by mid-1991.

"There could be a mad scramble for gilts, particularly from European investors who will be keen to take full advantage of the much higher interest rates available on this side of the Channel," he says.

Martin Wooller, manager of Fidelity's gilt and fixed interest fund, is equally optimistic. Although a period of consolidation is likely after the latest bounce, he expects the market to rise by 25 per cent over the next 12-18 months.

Even if investors have to wait longer for Mr Major to act, Mr Anthony believes gilts will be protected from any significant setback. "Every time the market falters," he says, "there are few genuine sellers, only cheap buyers taking the opportunity to pick up some extra stock."

Mr Anthony expects the longer end of the market to perform particularly well before any ERM announcement and recommends that investors looking for capital gains go for a stock redeemable after the year 2000.

"But once the market's gut reaction is over, it will be worth switching into a shorter stock in the 1993-1995 area, which should perform very well when interest rates finally start to come down," he says.

John Sheppard, Warburg's economist, is less enthusiastic. He believes that most of the good news has been discounted. "As far as EMS membership is concerned, it's much better to travel than to arrive," he says.

"On purely economic grounds, it is very hard to make a case for buying gilts. At best, I'm only expecting a neutral performance from the market over the next year."

But whatever the outlook, private investors, fearful of the seemingly complex nature of the market, or perhaps of becoming embroiled in another Barlow Clowes or Dunsdale, tend to be wary of gilts.

The market is, in fact, relatively easy to understand and simple to deal in. Government securities are made up of a coupon, which denotes the amount of interest investors will receive over the year, and a redemption date, when the Government will repay the bond, normally at £100.

In the interim, they are traded on the Stock Exchange, so investors may lose some of their capital if they sell at the wrong time. Interest can be paid gross, which makes them particularly attractive to non-taxpayers such as non-working wives, and there is no capital gains tax to pay on any profit.

Investments can be made in a spread of gilts through either unit trusts or investment trusts but these can be expensive in terms of management fees and dealing spreads (the difference between the price at which investors buy and sell). Instead, investors should consider dealing through the National Savings Stock Register.

The register offers a cheap and simple way to deal in gilts through the post, rather than through a broker.

A £1,000 purchase would incur a £4 charge against a broker's minimum commission of £15-£20. And since the stock is registered in the purchaser's name, rather than in the name of a nominee company, there is no possibility of fraud. Investors may, however, suffer if the market moves against them while their application is in the post.

A selection of gilts is available through the register, from funding 6 per cent 1993, which guarantees a capital gain of 25 per cent if held to maturity, to Treasury 15½ per cent 1998, currently yielding 13¼ per cent a year. However, the maximum amount that may be invested in any one stock in any one day is £10,000. There is no limit to the total amount of stock investors may hold. Application forms can be obtained at most Post Offices.

# Investment diviners probe mysteries of the markets

MICHAEL POWELL

All in the stars: Elizabeth Thornton studies the zodiac

BILLY GRIFFITHS

All in the bars: Fred Stafford follows his price charts

By BARBARA ELLIS

ASTROLOGERS and chartists in the investment world have more in common than either might like to believe. Both seek out significant patterns in the stars or in the bars of price charts.

And both attract much scorn from analysts who use the conventional tools of investment forecasting, the basic financial facts and figures relating to companies, currencies and stock markets.

But astrologers and chartists alike claim a success rate which comfortably beats pure chance and they supply some highly plausible demonstrations of their arts.

Fred Stafford, of Investment Data Services based in Stockport, Greater Manchester, approached chartism via conventional beginnings.

"In 1972 I gave £100,000 to a Manchester stockbroker and saw it go down to £50,000 within a very few months," he said. "I was shattered — shell-shocked."

Applying the Gann system, which uses bar charts based on highest and lowest prices, Mr Stafford said that investors would have sold shares like British & Commonwealth and Sock Shop long before their recent troubles. They would also have quit the Japanese market up to five weeks before it crashed earlier this year.

Although he emphasises that he is not given to prophecy, Mr Stafford adds that he would prefer to be out of the UK market at the moment because the index has hit its highest level three times and such "triple tops" are an extremely dangerous sign.

"We are not recommending any UK purchases at all at the moment," he said.

To test astrology against chartist theory, Weekend Money staged a test for Elizabeth Thornton, the astrologer, requesting star profiles of two companies, treating incorporation dates as their dates of birth.

Ms Thornton correctly identified Sock Shop, which she knew only as a company incorporated on February 2, 1983, as being in the fashion business and having problems dating back more than a year relating to cash flow and over-rapid expansion. This showed up in such signs as a "grand trine" or 120 degree aspect in fire, and Jupiter in Cancer making a T-square with Mars and Venus:

"Somehow there had to be a redefinition of their purpose, but I think the whole outcome of it all was beneficial," said Ms Thornton, adding that if the company survived there were wonderful prospects ahead, especially when Jupiter went over its moon in Leo.

"I would definitely buy their shares. Sell until Christmas, then buy," she said.

Ms Thornton took a less positive view of British & Commonwealth, known to her as company B, incorporated on November 1, 1955.

"Intrigue, power and money games going on," she said. "This company operates behind closed doors in secrecy." The moon in Taurus was the indication of a lot of money, while Jupiter in Pluto signified power, manipulation and secrecy.

Three planets in Libra including Mercury and Mars meant that the company probably presented a better image than was the reality, said Ms Thornton.

She seemed to hint at B&C's disastrous purchase of Atlantic Computer, identifying "deals made on insubstantial grounds", and noting that these had failed because they had been made when Neptune was squared with Mars. "Every deal they tried to do was frustrated," she said.

Ms Thornton predicted that Pluto would bring skeletons out of the cupboard at company B, but not for another couple of years:

"It is starting to happen but the crunch point will be around Christmas 1991," she said.

Ms Thornton also has a neat line in put-downs for sceptics who question the validity of astrology, claiming that whoever was in charge of each successful privatisation clearly timed flotation day to coincide with favourable astral and planetary positions.

Each of the three biggest privatisations took place when Jupiter, the planet of good fortune, had entered the appropriate astral location: Aquarius for British Telecom, Pisces for British Gas and Cancer for the water companies of England and Wales.

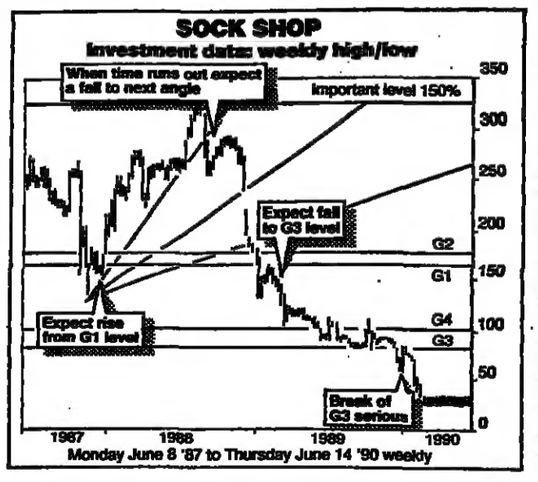
Looking at star charts when the water privatisation was announced, Ms Thornton said she was puzzled. "They had some horrible oppositions from Capricorn around that time," she said. "I couldn't see how they would coincide with Jupiter, but I could not believe it when they waited."

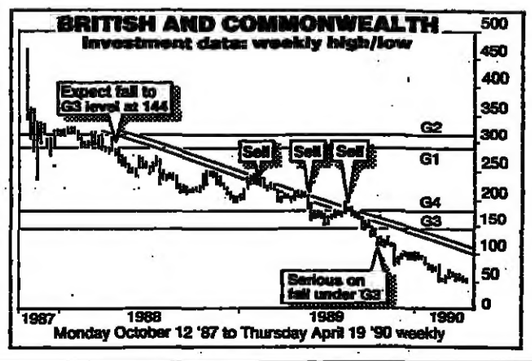
Mr Stafford tested more than 130 stock market systems before he settled for the chart theories of W.D. Gann, an American who had died in 1954 after reputedly making a million dollars a year for each year of his adult life.

Mr Stafford describes the Gann system as "dead simple", but that may be because he is used to it. For newcomers, the talk of retracement and resistance levels sounds a little arcane, not to mention G1 and G3.

G1, as Mr Stafford explains, is the highest extreme reached by a price divided by two, giving a "major resistance level". G3 is the same highest price divided by four.

The Gann system uses bar charts on which the bars connect the highest and lowest prices over a chosen period (one week in the charts on the left).




# Vantage card aims to curb spending

By JON ASHWORTH

THE TSB has launched a budget account which uses a Visa card with a fixed credit limit to help customers keep monthly spending in check.

The bank's new Vantage card is similar to a store card, but charges a lower rate of interest and can be used more widely.

Cardholders set their credit limit at 15 to 30 times their chosen monthly payment up to a limit of £3,000. Those who set aside £20 a month would have a credit limit of between £300 and £600. The account pays 5 per cent net interest on credit balances.

The rate of interest for cardholders who fall into the red is 23.8 per cent, below the average charged by most store and credit cards. But comparison with other card rates is difficult because the card has no interest-free period of up to 56 days. Store card rates vary widely, from Selfridges with 26.8 per cent to Burtons which charges 38.4 per cent.

There is no charge for taking out a Vantage card, although a £1 service charge will be made withdrawals of cash.

Meanwhile, Barclays has announced that it is to raise the interest rate on its Assent budget card to 22.2 per cent on statements issued from August 20. The rate will remain at the present level until January 1991 for all who applied for the card before the end of last year. It also has no interest-free period.

Unlike Vantage, Assent is linked to the MasterCard network. Its spending limit is up to 25 times the monthly payment.

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# A classical stockbroker banks on the high street

By CAROL LEONARD

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**Sir Nicholas Goodison**

All Goodison's are described "as arrogant", admits the chairman of TSB, the bank that still likes to say yes, "but it is basically shyness".

Inside the tall, thin, crusty exterior of Sir Nicholas Goodison, reddening a little at the indignity of talking about himself, lurks a Cambridge classics scholar who once wanted desperately to be an English teacher — "Because I think it's the most beautiful language".

Sir Nicholas's description of himself differs markedly from his public image.

"I'm far more gregarious than people think," he says. "I enjoy listening and talking. And I did quite a bit of cabaret when I was at school — I used to write the scripts. I certainly don't think of myself as a desiccated intellectual, which is how I'm often described."

Indeed, the most obvious changes at the Trustees Savings Bank since his arrival as chairman 18 months ago have been entirely physical. The main board has been trimmed from 31 to 17 directors, and 5,000 of the 42,000 people it employs will lose their jobs during the next five years.

At the same time impressionist paintings and modern sculptures now adorn every available wall and surface. Humidifiers emit water vapour from a corner of almost every room, maintaining the correct atmosphere.

Sir Nicholas, aged 56, is after all, chairman of the Courtauld Institute. Its recent move into the north wing of Somerset House is, he says — with almost adolescent excitement — "My greatest achievement to date." He is also chairman of the National Art Collections Fund.

"Sometimes we think he cares more about the paintings than the people who work here," said one TSB employee, only half seriously. Indeed he has often been criticised for being too detached in his human relationships. "He's not the sort of man who would ever go out for a drink after work," said one colleague of long-standing. "He would always find an excuse."

In the sanctuary of Sir Nicholas's salmon pink fifth floor office in the TSB's Milk Street headquarters, art books litter the desk. And a cutting from *The Times* about the role of the House of Lords has been receiving detailed scrutiny. Noticeable by its absence is a grandfather clock — a subject in which he is a respected expert.

"I don't know why not — I had one in my stock exchange office. Do you think, when the TSB makes a really good profit, that perhaps I'll be allowed one?"

Politics, commerce — these days the TSB — and the arts are, he says, all of equal importance in his life.

He manages to fit them all in by rationing his time on other activities. "I don't watch television, I don't play golf and I don't read the Sunday newspapers — I stopped reading them when the *Sunday Times* introduced a colour supplement in the 1960s."

He admits that he also once considered becoming a politician. "But then I got engrossed in the family business (a third generation stockbroker, the family firm was then HE Goodison, later Quilter Goodison) and of course it became impractical. But I keep in touch.

"I very much enjoy my contacts with Westminster and I've got a lot of political friends. I enjoy doing whatever I can to improve the understanding between business and politics."

It is, perhaps, the House of Lords which will, in due course, allow him to fulfill those early political ambitions. "There aren't enough businessmen in either house, there aren't enough people who can really stand on their hind feet and talk," he says. With a somewhat awkward laugh, and clearly choosing his words with caution, he adds: "There aren't enough businessmen in the Lords."

But all of this is a long way removed from the hurly-burly of Big Bang, which Sir Nicholas oversaw during his 13-year stint as chairman of the stock exchange.

If he had his time over again, there would not, he says, be anything he would do differently. "My only regret is that the shortage of resources and the shortage of time meant that the reform of London's settlement system fell behind. We should have had Taurus here years ago — but how could you conceivably bring that in at the same time as everything else because of pressure on resources?"

Big Bang has, he insists, been "a great success". "It had to be done as it was done. The crucial part of it was not all the visible bits about the dealing arrangements, but the opening up of the membership of the exchange to international houses.

London simply wouldn't have stood a chance of being the major centre unless it attracted those international houses. "The change in the dealing system, fixed commissions and so on, historically will be seen as inconsequential. The prime purpose was to ensure that London maintained and stengthened its position in the international market and that has been a tremendous success."

"He is absolutely right," said a fellow stock exchange committee member. "We had no time, had to make snap decisions and he led us — and led us well. I admire him enormously, he is a brilliant intellectual, but I don't like him. He tends to talk down to people. He is a classics scholar and classics scholars don't get on with plebs, I suppose."

The reunification of Germany posed no threat to London as the financial capital of its time zone, Sir Nicholas said.

"Some people in Germany would like to see Frankfurt as the financial centre of Europe but I don't believe it will happen. London has attracted the critical mass of skills and capital. I don't see London losing its position."

But in the domestic market the "pain" will, he said, continue for at least another year.

"In UK equities we went from three or four jobbing firms to 35 market-making firms of whom something like a dozen had ambitions to be the top market making firm. In gilt-edged we went from two leading jobbers to something like 27. They all poured in people, capital and resources. Inevitably we were going to get over-capacity. It took time to work through the system because many of them were banks with deep pockets and they were going to stand the strain for a while to see whether they could establish themselves."

**'I don't watch television, I don't play golf and I don't read the Sunday papers'**

Sir Nicholas refused to accept that the small private shareholder had been unfairly treated by the changes Big Bang introduced. Under the old system of fixed commission, the private shareholder was, he said, subsidised by the enormous commissions paid by institutional investors.

"That had to change and I don't think that's a matter for regret. You now pay a fee for portfolio fund management rather as you pay your accountant or lawyer. If you simply want to buy and sell shares that service will, in the future, not be in the hands of the old-style stockbroker. It will be in the hands of the clearing banks.

"Only one or two of them are yet remotely equipped to do it, but that, in time, is what will happen. In the long term the small saver is going to be well served by the reforms even if in the short term the evolution is still not complete."

The TSB vies with the Royal Bank of Scotland as Britain's fifth biggest clearing bank, so the logic of appointing a broker as its chairman becomes clearer.

But some stock exchange members have yet to be convinced of the success of Big Bang. "Time will tell," said the chief executive of one member firm. "But since deregulation the stock exchange has lost £500 million a year, and I wouldn't call that a raving success."

To encourage a "share owning culture" in the UK we should, Sir Nicholas said, "move towards fiscal equality in the treatment of savings."

"We have got to change the culture. Long term I would like to see people's savings free of tax.

"That's what we're getting in Peps and Tessa and I would like to see that principle extended until in the end your pool of savings isn't taxed and your expenditure is.

"That's a very radical reform and it would be much too expensive for the Treasury to entertain as a quick reform, but let's move towards it."

He also advocates rollover-relief from capital gains tax "when you're selling one share and buying another. I think capital gains tax is basically wrong in principle — and it's a very inhibiting factor. "If capital gains tax were not so vicious we would certainly have a better market in smaller companies."

Sir Nicholas also feels strongly that links between industry and schools must be improved. He is critical of the British middle class attitude which still sees the professions as an infinitely preferable career to business.

Yet of his own three children, the eldest, Katharine, aged 27, is a solicitor at Slaughter & May, his son Adam, 25, is a barrister, and his youngest child Rachel, 22, is an undergraduate at Edinburgh University.

His own education was clearly an exceptionally happy one — "Although it did have its frustrations," he adds. And, paradoxically, he admits that he too would like to have had a professional qualification. Probably as an accountant.

It was when he was in the upper fifth form that the classics master subjected him and his classmates at Marlborough College to weekly lectures on Renaissance artists, and it was this that formed the basis of his interest in the art world today. "We started with Giotto and ended the term with Paul Nash in July — and had to write a short appreciation each week."

It is this section of his life which he shares with his wife Judith, née Abel-Smith, and, coincidentally, a second cousin of the incumbent Stock Exchange chairman, Andrew Hugh Smith.

"We used to sing in the Bach choir together. But at the moment she is in the north country guiding American scholars around English and Scottish country houses. She runs the Attingham Trust, which organises visits from Americans and others to promote the decorative arts. We meet occasionally."

Apart from never having learned to paint, his only regret in his life thus far is that, at an early age, he did not learn fluency in another language — other than Latin or Greek.

"Like so many badly educated Englishmen I was never taught to speak," he said, before revealing the dry wit even his critics acknowledge.

"I had to take French in the scholarship exam to King's College, Cambridge and I remember being faced with a bit of unseen translation in which people kept on dressing and undressing. I decided to translate "piscine" as "brothel" because I didn't know what else it could possibly be."

**BIOGRAPHY**

- **1934: May 16:** Born Radlett, Hertfordshire. Education: Marlborough College and King's College, Cambridge. Scholar BA Classics, 1958. PhD Architecture and History of Art, 1981
- **1958:** Joined H E Goodison.
- **1960:** Married Judith Abel-Smith. One son, two daughters.
- **1962:** Partner, H E Goodison.
- **1968:** Elected Stock Exchange Council.
- **1975-1988:** Chairman, Quilter Goodison.
- **1976-December, 1988:** Chairman, Stock Exchange and, from 1986, International Stock Exchange
- **1980:** Vice chairman English National Opera.
- **1982:** Chairman management committee, Courtauld Institute of Art.
- **1986:** Chairman executive committee, National Art Collections Fund.
- **1987:** Non-executive director, General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corp.
- **1988:** Non-executive director, Ottoman Bank.
- **1988: April 28:** Non-executive director, TSB Group
- **1989: January 1:** Chairman, TSB Group.
- **1989:** Non-executive director, British Steel.

CHRIS HARRIS

Greatest achievement: Sir Nicholas in the north wing of Somerset House with Manet's *Un bar aux Folies Bergère*

# Going mob handed to the AGM

CAPITAL —CITY—

From JOE JOSEPH IN TOKYO

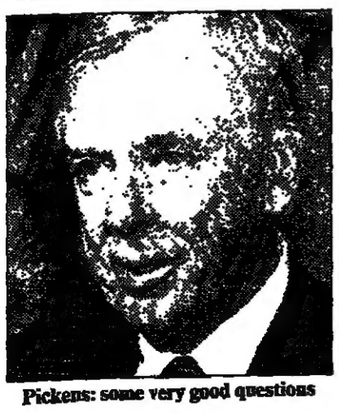
IF YOU happen to need a gangster for the odd job in Tokyo next Thursday you may be out of luck. They will be too busy making a nuisance of themselves at the 1,426 shareholders' meetings being held across Japan. It is an annual fixture in their diaries and a yearly headache for company chairmen.

T Boone Pickens, the Texan oilman who showed up at last year's meeting of Koito, the car parts company that is giving him a cold shoulder rather than the boardroom seats he is after, said the presence of mobsters made it "the most unusual shareholders' meeting I've ever attended in my life".

For Mr Pickens, who is back in town to create his own sort of havoc once again at Koito's annual gathering next Thursday, it was an introduction to another baffling side of Japanese capitalism: the professional heckler cum extortionist, known as "sokaiya".

"I thought they asked some very good questions," he drawled, cheekily, after seeing the Koito board pilloried for 90 minutes by some friends of friends. "Still, that's an interesting way to ask for an income statement."

In a country where consensus is king, and where directors refer to "our company" when addressing shareholders never "your company", the sokaiya earn their keep by intimidating anyone who might be thinking of asking the board an awkward question and thereby extending the meeting beyond the planned 15-minute formality. They are equally willing to intimidate managements who fail to pay.



Pickens: some very good questions

It has been illegal since 1982 for a firm to pay off sokaiya, though that has not weakened their muscle. Japanese companies hold their annual meetings on the same day in an attempt to spread the sokaiya more thinly. But there are more than enough of them to go round. Thousands of police will attend next week's annual meetings to try to prevent the racketeers from causing trouble.

But today Japan's gangsters, or yakuza, no longer need the pretext of blackmail to become angry about a firm's balance sheet. Lured by Tokyo's booming stock market, they have turned to share-dealing as a way of recycling and swelling their earnings from crime.

Police and stockbrokers say the yakuza's influence is now big enough to start buying sprees if word gets out that they are filling their pockets with a particular stock. But Tokyo's crash has stung them, and they are not the sort to stay at home weeping into their knitting.

"Some speculators who were managing funds for yakuza are now being harrassed by gang members for failing to produce profits from their money," said one shocked stock market insider.

To tide them over between annual meetings and until equities recover, Japan's mobs have turned to art. They lend money at high interest to art buyers and take the painting as collateral. When borrowers fail to pay up, the yakuza gets a pricy canvas at a bargain price. Some crime syndicates have collected so many that they have opened their own galleries.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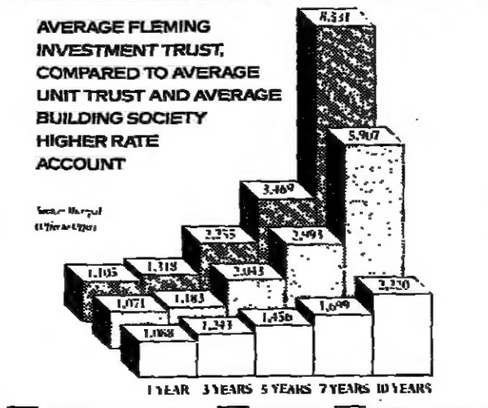


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The Building Societies Commission yesterday gave the go-ahead for the merger of the Frome Selwood building society with the Stroud & Swindon after just two days of deliberations. It normally takes two weeks. A hearing was held in the Somerset town on Tuesday and the merger takes place on July 1. Page 50

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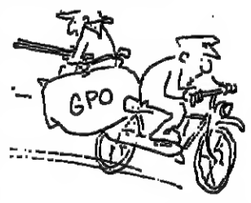


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## Weston rebuke

Garry Weston, chairman of Associated British Foods, strongly rebuked Ephraim Margulies, former chairman of Berisford International, yesterday. He also warned shareholders that ABF may write down the value of its 23 per cent stake in the British sugar group if Berisford is forced to make further provisions against its New York property portfolio..... Page 40

## Bid for Suchard

Philip Morris Companies, the New York-based consumer products conglomerate best known for Marlboro cigarettes, is making an agreed offer for Jacobs Suchard, the Swiss food group, for SwFr 5.4 billion (£2.2 billion) .. Page 40

## Atlantic staff

Several former executives of Atlantic Computers, the collapsed computer leasing subsidiary of British & Commonwealth, have set up or are starting computer leasing businesses, often employing former members of the Atlantic sales team on a commission-only basis. Sein Yin Cheng Kai On, Atlantic's former finance director; Jeremy Crame, a former board member; and Michael Rixon, another sales executive, are at the helm of Mellordata, part of the office systems arm of Sketchley. Between them, they have options worth 15 per cent of the company.. Page 41

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# Take care when sharing your place in the sun

**Timeshare is big business in Britain, but its selling methods are under scrutiny. Jon Ashworth visits Tenerife and discovers those attractive offers and sandy beaches may not always be quite what they seem.**

MORE than 200,000 families have already fallen for the concept of "holiday ownership" as it is often called, and another 30,000 will fall for the idea this year. The mushrooming industry already brings in £300 million annually, and it will be worth £1 billion a year by the end of the decade.

Tourists are sold on the idea of "cheap" holidays for life, only to find that the bill for a week runs to £5,000 or more. Regulation is scant.

The Department of Trade and Industry is poised to clamp down on the sale of timeshare in Britain, following a long investigation of much criticised sales techniques. Within the next two weeks, the Office of Fair Trading will present a detailed report on timeshare to the DTI, paving the way for restrictions on selling.

The OFT report is expected to be highly critical of methods which include indiscriminate mailshots promising "free" gifts with no strings attached. But the report will be of little comfort to holidaymakers who have already discovered the timeshare reality, and will not worry the foreign developers who have tightened their grip on many of the most popular resorts. They are well out of reach of the British authorities.

To deal with mounting criticism of the industry, the Timeshare Developers Association (TDA) was set up in 1987 to regulate members and try to clean up the industry's image. But developers are not obliged to join, and those that have represent only about 40 per cent of British customers.

The TDA has drawn up a code of ethics to prevent misleading advertising and help protect customers who make a purchase. It also fields the thousands of complaints which pour in from timeshare buyers who feel they have been misled or take offence at the never-ending stream of timeshare mailshots.

The TDA admits that high-pressure sales tactics are openly used in resorts in Spain, Portugal and Greece. And it says that it has no influence at all over American, German or other foreign companies who set up in the resorts and do not become members.

Tom Critchley, the TDA's newly appointed executive chairman, said he hoped to make the association more influential. But he said there was little that could be done about 'problem' resorts. "We can advise British holidaymakers not to go near them, but it is difficult to help if they are sitting on a beach in Spain."

One area where the problem is most acute is Tenerife in the Canary Islands, often sold as an undiscovered paradise promising sun, sea and good living. The town of Los Cristianos, once a small fishing village, has become a focus for foreign developers who combine timeshare with more traditional properties aimed at Europeans seeking a place in the sun.

On an area of hillside called Oasis del Sur, Resort Properties is putting the finishing touches to its latest project — an apartment complex called Castle Harbour. For £150, the company will fly would-be British investors to the Canaries for a four day inspection trip. There is no overt pressure to buy. But a stone's throw from Castle Harbour, at a sister resort called the Beverly Hills Club, a very different picture unfolds. The club has become a feeding ground for the high-pressure timeshare salesmen who have invaded Tenerife, threatening to turn it into a tourist's nightmare. Touts roam the streets in search of victims, on motorbikes and in brightly painted cars. Brochures promising free gifts fill the cafes and restaurants. Inside the club, slick salesmen promise dream-holidays for as little as £49 a week. The final bill can turn out to be £5,000 or more for a couple of weeks in the sun.

Club Riviera, the British timeshare company and a TDA member, has just moved in next door, calling itself Club Tenerife, and others are out in force.

Resort Properties moved to Tenerife five years ago, and is now the island's biggest developer. It owns the Beverly Hills Club and yet another timeshare development, the Palm Beach Club, just off the promenade of Playa de las Americas. In Oasis del Sur it has crammed several hundred apartments into a small area of the hillside, grouping them in communities with names like Port Royale, Royal Palm and Beverly Hills Heights.

The apartments are finished to a high standard, and the communities are well maintained. But if Resort Properties and other developers on the island keep building at their present pace, in a matter of years there will be nothing left on which to build. Last year, the Spanish authorities took some steps to slow development down. No new buildings are allowed close to the sea-front, views must not be obscured, and homes may not be built above a line on the hillside.

Resort Properties alone says there is enough work to keep it building for the next seven years. A new flagship timeshare complex called Hollywood Mirage is to be built higher up the slopes at Oasis del Sur. A vast area of land in the valley is to be turned into a golf course.

The company is American-owned and has made its name building homes in Florida, California, and the Caribbean. Bob Trotta, the managing director, said high interest rates in Britain had put-off buyers who three years ago were only too keen to buy a second home in the sun. "The property business is dead on this island for now. In 1986 and 1987 it was too good to be true. Developers were completely sold out before they even started building."

Mr Trotta said poor sales had forced many developers to turn to timeshare. "There is far too much of it on this island. Holiday ownership is not a cure-all for poor retail business." He agreed that 'hard' selling was a problem, but said Resort Properties had no intention of joining the TDA.

"The TDA is an excellent idea, but is unable to fulfil its role. It has lost some of its members, yet sets itself up as an elitist body. We would support it one hundred per cent if it took a different approach."

Resort Properties is using Tenerife as a springboard to the rest of Europe, and has built its European headquarters in a concrete blockhouse on the hillside above Los Cristianos. Two underground levels house a network of computers to help co-ordinate its European strategy.

The American touch is visible everywhere, from the pool-side bars to the fitness clubs and jacuzzis. Castle Harbour is modelled almost exactly on a condominium in Orlando.

The first charter flights start coming in from Tampa this summer - surprisingly only 4½ hours by air from Tenerife. The key to sales is the good weather. Britons, Germans and Scandinavians will pay from £26,000 to over £100,000 for an apartment in the sun - even if it looks onto the back of a hillside or a construction site. Because of such demand, Resort Properties expects to make a profit of £13 million on Castle Harbour alone.

Beyond the safety of the apartments, Tenerife's charms are dubious at best. There are few natural beaches, and sand has to be shipped in from Africa. New beaches cannot be used for six months because of the snakes and scorpions which get sucked up with the sand.

Playa de las Americas, a sleazy strip of beach, bars and nightclubs across the valley from Los Cristianos, was a ghetto for drug barons until Spanish paramilitary police swooped on the island two years ago. The mob-killings have ended, but drugs and vice are freely available in the maze of underground "Veronica" bars.

At Castle Harbour, studio flats sell for £31,000. They come fully furnished - the goods are shipped in from the US - and visitors are told they will get a guaranteed rental income if they buy. The catch is they must give the company free use of the room for 11 months of the year, and cannot change any of the furniture.

The concept appeals to investors, since the income - perhaps £2,800 a year after costs - would go a long way to meeting mortgage payments. What the brochures do not say is that the amount of income is not guaranteed. The company simply agrees to pay some sort of net return, after paying a maintenance charge, which is £680 in the case of Castle Harbour.

Perhaps more disturbingly, the scheme may be discontinued at any time. Mr Robert Dalton, a manager with Resort Properties, said it would only continue as long as there was a profit to be made. Investors can upgrade to other apartments built by the company without losing the guaranteed income. This gives the company an incentive to keep building, and encourages investors to stay with the group.

But what if the merry-go-round should stop? Investors could find themselves locked in with little more than a sun-tan to show for their money. And timeshare customers who were sold on the promise of a paradise resort, may find paradise lost.

Wheeling and dealing on the highway: An eye-catching timeshare promotion at Playa de las Americas, Tenerife

# The holiday price that started at £49 and went up to £6,400

LUIS GONZALEZ, smiling broadly, strode across the patio at the Beverly Hills Club. We went upstairs to a cafeteria, packed with people studying brochures. A wall of one-way glass ran along one side, reflecting the tables and chairs.

Snr Gonzalez said that £49 a week would buy a holiday anywhere in the world. He had the brochures to prove it, filled with photographs of sun-kissed beaches and sparkling oceans. There was no catch: just £49 a week — and another £95 to pay for the upkeep of your room. So two weeks' holiday would cost no more than £290 — apart from the airfare, of course.

Next there was a tour of the club. There were swimming pools, a fitness centre, bars and satellite television. Soon, Snr Gonzalez said, a magnificent new complex called Hollywood Mirage would be built nearby. Resort Properties planned to promote it in style by putting the name *Hollywood Mirage* in big white letters on the mountainside. "We've calculated that the Spanish authorities will take three years to make us take it off," he added.

There was a choice of one-bed apartments or studios. "Let's put it this way," said Snr Gonzalez "I make a living off commission. The higher you buy, the better for me. But let's be straight on the other side. You don't need a one-bedroom like I don't need a one-bedroom, so I'm not going to try to sell you something you don't need."

Back in the cafe, I was told that £6,400 would buy a studio for life — the first time that the new, much higher amount had been mentioned. All that was needed was a 30 per cent deposit — payable anyway I liked.

From behind a mirrored door, a "financial specialist" emerged. He asked if I had a Visa credit card for the deposit. I did. He asked if I could borrow the rest in the UK. I could. Was it something that could be arranged within seven days? It was.

Welcome smiles: The Beverly Hills Club

Saying I wanted to think it over, the tone of the meeting changed. A studio could not be held without a deposit, I was warned. I pointed out that paying £6,400 was liking paying for six years' of holidays upfront. "Ah, but you're talking about holidays forever, anywhere in the world."

I insisted on coming back the next day. "If you come back in the morning, would you be happy to pay that" — he pointed to the

Finally giving up, the specialist retreated behind the one-way glass. Leading me down the stairs, Snr Gonzalez whispered: "Don't tell anyone, but I think I can hold a studio overnight for you. Also, I don't normally do this, but I will give you £200 in air vouchers to spend anywhere in Europe. Just come back in the morning."

Clutching my free gifts — two T-shirts and a bottle of champagne — I made my escape.

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